711 Piedmont (46) Winston-Salem
Richard T. Westmoreland, M; William M. Moss, SW; Eddie H. Moody, Jr., JW
712 Wilson (7) Wilson
David R. Kelley, M; Victor W. Fifield, Proxy for SW; T. Bruce Boyette, Proxy for JW
713 Stanley (54) Stanley
Larry R. Miller, M; Leonard L. Lewis, SW; Daniel E. Huffman, Sr., Proxy for JW
714 Liberty (37) Liberty
Roger L. Euliss, M; Ira E. Holmes, SW; Larry D. Smith. JW
715 Derita (42) Charlotte
Allen W. Scott, M; Thane R. Black, SW; Thomas M. Baucom, JW
716 Hiram (45) High Point
Aubrey S. Pardue, Proxy for M; Archie J. Anderson, SW; Daniel S. Acosta, JW
717 Burnsville (62) Burnsville
Jay Black, M; Bryan Peterson, SW; Blaine Peterson, JW
718 Troy (38) Troy
Gene R. Griffith, M; George J. Jenkins, Proxy for SW; Daniel L. Morris, Proxy for JW
719 Horse Creek (60) Columbus
W. Wayne Black, M; Tony L. Grigg, SW and Proxy for JW
720 Cabarrus (43) Concord
Bill R. Raymer, M; Thomas R. Mann, SW; George M. Vogler, Jr., JW
721 Burlington (34) Burlington
Michael W. Wise, J; Cliff Bauchman, Proxy for SW; Charles Bivins, Proxy for JW
722 King (46) King
Randy H. Cockerham, M; Larry Oakley, Proxy for SW; Clayton Shumate, JW
723 Winton (2) Winton
Harry B. Ward, Proxy for M and Wardens
724 Berne (7) New Bern
Walter A. Joyner, M; Raymond T. Smith, SW; David W. Haner, JW
725 Grantham (7) New Bern
Edward W. Paul, Jr., Proxy for M; Herbert L. Coombs, SW; Eric H. Rhodes, JW
726 Keystone (41) Charlotte
Andrew J. Branch, II, M; Jerry W. Furr, SW; Danny F. Jones, JW
727 Shallotte (13) Shallotte
John D. Babson, M; Perry H. Sellers, SW and Proxy for JW
728 Meridian (40) Charlotte
John C. Lawton, Jr., M; Angus W. Mercer, SW; Joseph A. Bentley, JW
729 Twin County (18) Rocky Mount
Stephen R. Morgan, M; Robert W. Proctor, Proxy for SW; James F. Coleman, Proxy for JW
731 John Huske Anderson (29) Fayetteville
Frank M. Rogers, M; Eugene W. Whetzel, Proxy for SW; Phillip H. Edney, JW
732 Bush Hill (37) Archdale
Edward K. Malone, M; Roland B. Lawrimore, SW; Max R. Wood, Proxy for JW
733 Stump Sound (9) Sneads Ferry
Jody C. Lucas, M; Marty G. Twiford, SW; Donald G. Beasley, JW
734 William Pitt (5) Greenville
Johnathan W. Bryant, M; John L. Arrowood, SW; Jesse B. Childers, JW

735 James B. Green (25) Raleigh
Lecil R. Reece, M; Gerald C. Letterman, SW; John E. Brownsword, JW
736 New River (9) Jacksonville
David E. McMasters, M; Bobby J. Kitchen, SW; James H. Woolard, Proxy for JW
737 Steele Creek (42) Charlotte
Charles H. King, M; William P. Smith, SW; Carl D. Yount, JW
738 West Gate (42) Charlotte
William D. Burries, M; William F. Navy, SW; Michael F. Baker, JW
739 Newell (40) Newell
Ardrey A. Solomon, M; Kenneth C. Robinson, SW; Charles R. Smith, Jr., JW
740 Charles B. Newcomb (24) Raleigh
Wade Stone, M; Ronald Wellman, SW; Hilliard Kearney, JW
741 Crissie Wright (8) Smyrna
Chelsie D. Lewis, M and Proxy for JW; Lar~y P. Pittman, Proxy for SW
742 Mint Hill (41) Mint Hill
Ted L. Conder, Sr., Proxy for M; James B. McLaughlin, Sr., Proxy for SW; Roger C. Hendrix, JW
743 J. J. Crowder (25) Raleigh
Orman B. Ellington, M; Fred M. Dean, SW; William J. Crutchfield, JW
744 Shelby (56) Shelby
Jeffery H. Payne, M; James R. Edwards, JW
745 Vandora (24) Garner
Edgar J. Gilchrist, M; Wallace G. Johnson, SW; Ray Yow, Proxy for JW
746 P. P. Turner (36) Greensboro
Charles C. Johnson, M; Timothy L. Johnson, SW; Christopher B. Staley, JW
749 Truth (39) Monroe
Douglas S. Moore, Proxy for M and Wardens
750 Oak Grove (32) Durham
Samuel D. Vaughan, III, M; Otha J. Williams, Proxy for SW; James D. Allen, JW
751 Old Town (46) Winston-Salem
Scott T. Horn, M; Herbert L. Blankenship, SW; James A. Atkins, JW
752 Enterprise (46) Arcadia
Rudolph L. Head, M; Robert L. Bowden, SW; Donald G. Jones, JW
753 Federal Point (10) Carolina Beach
Donald B. Harrill, M; Rolf Pedersen, SW; William T. Bordeaux, JW
754 Masters (25) Raleigh
George M. Zezefellis, M; Don Brame, Proxy for SW; Robert E. Thompson, JW
755 Clemmons (46) Clemmons
Robert N. Lee, M; William E. Allen, SW; Norman W. Drouillard, Sr., JW
756 Clifford Duell (29) Fayetteville
Douglas F. Brisson, M; Donald G. Lucas, SW; James H. Pittman, JW
757 Denver (53) Denver
James B. Harrison, M; Michael E. Yates, SW; Michael L. Lambreth, JW
758 Oak Island (10) Long Beach
Wendell A. Blanchard, M; John G. McDonald, SW; Lonnie A. Harvell, JW
759 James K. Polk (42) Pineville
Thomas P. Stroozas, M; Raymond A. Inman, SW; Robert G. McIntosh, JW

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND ORATOR

(Docket No. 1)

The Grand Master presented W.·.Brother James G. Exum, Jr., Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, who delivered the following oration:

Most Worshipful Grand Master Martin, officers of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Past Grand Masters, distinguished guests. My Brothers in Masonry:

It is a high privilege for me to address this, the 205th Annual Communication of The Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina. I thank Grand Master Martin for appointing me Grand Orator and giving me this opportunity. My father, Jim Exum, Sr. of Snow Hill, has just been notified that he is eligible to receive his fiftieth year pin. I told him I would mention that today! I was raised a Master Mason in my father's Radiance Lodge No. 132 in Snow Hill in, according to recollection, 1957; but I later transferred to Guilford Lodge No. 656 in Greensboro after I settled there to practice law.

Since Grand Master Martin and I are both judges you might expect that my presentation would have something of a "legal" flavor. It does, but only for the purpose of making a larger point about the American society in which we live today and what Masons, informed by the basic principles of their craft, might do to make it better. I believe *masons can make a difference.*

Almost all problems occurring generally in society eventually manifest themselves in our courts of law. Some of these problems come into our courts for ultimate resolution, one way or the other: The struggle for equality between our races and the abortion question are prime examples of these. Others arrive in our courts not for resolution but simply to be dealt with on a recurring basis day after day. The havoc caused by drug and alcohol abuse and the proliferation of deadly weapons in the hands of the young, the angry and the intoxicated are daily fare in courtrooms all over our state and nation.

More generally, though, the legal profession itself often mirrors the society of which it is a part. Some disturbing trends have occurred in this profession during the thirty-two years I have been at the bar. They are probably symptomatic of broader changes in society generally during this same period of time.

During this time lawyers have proliferated. In 1960 there was one lawyer per 600 people in the United States. Today there is one lawyer for every 300 people. In the District of Columbia, I understand one of every three persons is a lawyer! One result of this is more intense competition among the practicing bar.

During this time law firms become larger and larger. When I left the law firm of Smith Moore Smith Schell and Hunter in Greensboro in 1967 to go on the bench it was the third largest law firm in North Carolina. It had seventeen lawyers. Today, after a merger and name change it is still the third largest firm in the state. But is has offices in Greensboro, Charlotte, Raleigh and the District of Columbia and numbers around 150 attorneys. Large law firms tend to make the practice of law more impersonal and less attentive to the humanity factor that is a part of every lawyer-client relationship. These firms also tend to be operated more like a trade or buisness with emphasis on enough billable hours to pay the overhead and make profit for the partners.

The legal profession has become more specialized. In 1960 about the only real specialities in the practice of law were real estate, tax, and labor law. Today there are lawyers who will not come to the office unless there is a corporate takeover waiting. Many are versed only in First Amendment law or Fourth Amendment law. Some represent only second basemen or point

guards! One wonders as specialities become more and more narrow whether the specialist will be in danger of learning more and more about less and less until they know everything about nothing! I am, of course, being in part facetious to help make the point that there has been a movement among lawyers toward ever more narrowed professional interests.

Finally, the legal profession has become more fragmented. Thirty years ago there was only one voluntary professional association which North Carolina lawyers could join for mutual fellowship, further training and pursuit of their common interests. It was the North Carolina Bar Association. During the years since then we have seen the establishment of various voluntary associations for different kinds of lawyers. Today we have an association for lawyers who represent plaintiffs in civil cases (the Academy of Trial Lawyers) and an association for lawyers who represent defendants in civil cases (the Defense Attorneys Association). We also have the District Attorneys Association; the Public Defenders Association; The Women Lawyers Association; and the Black Lawyers Association.

There is nothing inherently wrong with attorneys with common interests voluntarily forming groups for the purpose of pursuing those interests in the name of professional enlightenment. I fear, however, that something more sinister is going on. We know that Masonry is a Brotherhood. Lawyers, too, have traditionally considered themselves brothers and sisters at the bar, joined by the common calling of the legal profession, and entitled to mutual respect and courtesy because they were so joined. This was so even as lawyers represented different and opposing interests. They recognized that their clients, not themselves, were in conflict. Today, this common calling of the lawyer as lawyer seems to have been forgotten. Now lawyers are more united by the interests they regularly represent than by the general traditions of the profession itself. They sometimes seem to be in as much conflict as their clients. They seem, at times, to have become polarized into warring camps divided by mistrust and dislike. You can understand what mischief this portends for the legal profession if you consider what would happen to Masonry if the Brotherhood began organizing itself into different associations according to the occupation of the brothers.

What is happening in the legal profession, I suggest to you, is also happening in society at large. Just as there are more lawyers per capita, there are more people seeking the same amenities of life; hence there is more competition among our people. There is more competition for jobs; more competition for homes and available space; more competition, in essence, for a share of the American dream. Institutions and corporations, like law firms, have through mergers and leveraged buyouts grown larger, more impersonal and less humane. The humanity factor no longer seems to matter. Like the legal specialists, people, generally, seem to have narrowed their range of interests to their own personal concerns. In our cities and even in our towns neighbors don't visit or know each other or care about each other as much as they did even thirty years ago. As with the multitude of different lawyer organizations, society generally has been fast organizing itself into ever increasing numbers of special interest groups, the nearsightedness of which seems in direct proportion to their numbers. The polarization of our people is the single most troubling social phenomenom in America.

You know what I mean. The daily news abounds with stories of society's warring camps: minority against majority; rich against poor; young against old; free choice against right-to-life; conservative against liberal; doctor against patient; lawyer against client; minister against congregation; man against woman; fundamentalist against moderate, etc. Hate groups and groups which espouse the supremacy of one race over another grow in numbers. I read recently where an attorney who regularly represents these kinds of groups has recently settled in Black Mountain, North Carolina,

apparently to the dismay of many of the citizens there. Hate crimes are on the increase. Resort to violence is more frequent.

The question for us is this: Do the tenets of Masonry speak to the societal situation I have described? Can we, as Masons, following these tenets, make a difference for the better? The answers are "yes" and "yes".

"Masonry is a march and a struggle toward the Light." *Morals and Dogma*, p. 32 (1966). A basic tenet of Masonry is that all persons are created by and in the image of the Great Architect and Master Builder whom we call God. Much flows from this proposition. It means, for one thing, that all persons are equal in their humanity, in their personhood, in their "God likeness." It means that we are unique creatures of one God who made us in His image and whose spirit dwells within us.

This principle of Masonic faith teaches that there is, indeed, a brotherhood of humankind under auspices of God and that care should be taken to sustain the brotherhood. It teaches that as God's creatures we human beings are all of one origin, the binding force of which must ultimately withstand all of the lesser forces that tend to separate and divide us.

One of the great Masonic virtues is Compassion. Brother James G. Martin, Governor of North Carolina, reminded us of this virtue in his 1987 oration to the Grand Lodge. Explaining it, he said: "Compassion . . . enables us to live a full, rewarding and meaningful life. We have learned that we must have compassion which is several octaves above that required by society. The ability to look for and find good in everyone is a rare, but treasured, quality of life. The capacity to love your fellow man, to extend a helping hand, to understand and respond with kindness to another's problems give us riches more precious than gold."

These two Masonic principles—a faith in the brotherhood of humankind under the auspices of God, the Creator of all, and the recognition of Compassion as one of the great Masonic virtues—form the basis for our response as Masons to a society growing ever more riven and polarized. To Masons, people count; individuals count above all. To Masons, the bottom line is always people—not profits, not institutions, not policies, not special interests—simply people. Masons do not hate, they love.

There will always be differences between individuals and groups of people—differences of opinion; differences of attitude; differences of race and sex; differences of faith, philosophy and belief. There is nothing wrong with differences so long as they do not irrevocably divide us. There is nothing wrong with argument and disagreement so long as they do not destroy mutual respect. There is nothing wrong with people organizing around certain common beliefs so long as they do not mistrust or hate other people who have organized around other common and perhaps contrary beliefs. Disagreement is permitted; it can be healthy. Racial, sexual, religious, political, and philosophical differences simply exist. But to conclude that those with whom we disagree or from whom we are different are, because of this alone, unworthy of our respect, corrupt or less than human is contrary to Masonic teaching.

Masons disagree among themselves; but the Brotherhood remains intact because we recognize that, at the core of our order, there is more that unites us than divides us. So it must be with society at large. We must come to see that for all the differences among us there is more that unites us than divides us. Because we are all creatures of God, the Creator, and made in his image and entitled to be treated with compassion.

By speaking out and standing for the ultimate brotherhood of humankind under the auspices of God and the need for compassion towards others we Masons can do much to help bridge the chasms that now exists between many groups in our society. We can help stem the polarization and bring

warring camps to peaceful resolutions. We can make a difference for the better.

One of the greatest lawyers this country has produced was John W. Davis. At various times he was President of the American Bar Association, Solicitor General of the United States, candidate for President, and founder of a great Wall Street law firm which still bears his name. He, for me, identified the highest calling of a lawyer when he wrote: "True we build no bridges. We raise no towers. We construct no engine . . . There is little of all we do which the eye . . .can see. But we smooth out difficulties; we relieve stress; we correct mistakes; we take up other men's burdens and by our efforts we make possible the peaceful life of men in a peaceful state."

Masons do build bridges, raise towers, construct engines and accomplish much that the eye can see. Still by practicing our faith in the brotherhood of humankind under the auspices of God and our Masonic virtue of Compassion toward all, our greatest contribution may well be helping to make possible the peaceful life in a peaceful state. So, in the words of our Grand Master, "Let's practice Masonry."

REPORT OF THE ACTING GRAND TREASURER

(Docket No. 2)

The following report of the Acting Grand Treasurer was received, entered on the record and referred to the Committee on Finance:

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

I herewith submit my report as Acting Grand Treasurer for the calendar year ended December 31, 1991:

RECEIPTS:

Balance January 1, 1991	$ 58,547.00
Deposits by Grand Secretary	891,453.50
	$ 950,000.50

DISBURSEMENTS:

Less expenses	932,274.13
Balance in General Fund	$ 17,726.37

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS:

Special Contingency Account	$ 147,713.94
Book Reserve	65,653.81
Charity Fund	21,025.40
Computer Equipment Reserve	43,271.20
Emblems and Awards Account	6,350.00
Automobile Account	6,076.63
Building Reserve	16,445.62
	$ 324,262.97

SECURITIES:

Institution	Acct.#	Amount	Issue Date	Mat.date	Rate%
1st Citizens	(Checking)	$124,262.97			
1st Financial	621082431	100,000.00	01/30/91	01/30/92	7.60
Summit Savings	700044983	100,000.00	02/07/91	08/08/91	7.52
Total Securities		$324,262.97			

All accounts are FDIC insured.

*Variable Rate

Respectfully submitted,
JERRY G. TART, P.G.M.
Acting Grand Treasurer

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

(Docket No. 3)

The Grand Secretary presented the following report which was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

I herewith submit my report as Grand Secretary for the calendar year ended December 31, 1991, including expenditures for the year and a suggested budget for the calendar year 1992:

FINANCIAL REPORTS
BUDGETS
January 1, 1991 to December 31, 1991
and Proposed 1992 Budget

INCOME

	Estimated Income 1991	Actual Income 1991	Estimated Income 1992
66,400 Master Masons @ $6.00	$398,400.00	$397,727.50	
65,400 Master Masons @ $7.50			$490,500.00
1,300 Initiation Fees @ $1.00	1,300.00	1,445.00	1,300.00
Dividends and Interest	33,000.00	24,292.58	23,500.00
Miscellaneous Sales	1,000.00	585.00	1,000.00
Total Income	$433,700.00	$424,050.08	$516,300.00
Balance Forwarded		$59,587.99	$17,726.37

PROPOSED BUDGET

Account No.	Account Name	Budget 1991	Expended 1991	Proposed Budget 1992
800-00	**Philanthropy Total**	37,300.00	37,100.00	37,300.00
800-01	Oxford Orphanage	12,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
800-02	Masonic & Eastern Star Home	12,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
800-03	Charity	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
800-04	Hospital Visitation (MSA)	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
800-05	Hospital Visitation (NC)	300.00	100.00	300.00
800-06	Order of Demolay	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
800-07	Order of Rainbow for Girls	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
800-09	Geo. Washington National Memor	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.0
810-00	**Salaries and Fees Total**	162,430.00	162,818.41	171,431.00
820-00	**Administration Costs Total**	40,200.00	39,301.04	45,700.00
820-01	Stationery	1,400.00	1,368.75	1,400.00
820-02	Printing (Routine)	800.00	530.78	600.00
820-03	Printing Proceedings	8,700.00	8,608.86	8,700.00
820-04	Office Supplies	1,200.00	1,317.34	1,400.00
820-05	Postage	6,800.00	6,792.86	6,800.00
820-06	Building and Office Equipment	5,000.00	5,000.00	7,500.00
820-07	Office Equipment Maintenance	2,500.00	2,043.77	2,500.00
820-08	Telephone	5,600.00	5,543.50	5,800.00
820-09	Transportation (Grand Secretary)	4,000.00	4,000.00	6,500.00
820-10	Official Forms (Annual Returns)	1,000.00	895.18	1,000.00
820-11	Auditing	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,500.00
830-00	**Building Expenses Total**	29,900.00	29,226.03	32,200.00
830-01	Utilities	10,000.00	9,799.06	10,300.00
830-02	Building and Yard Maintenance	8,900.00	8,790.97	9,100.00
830-03	Equipment Maintenance	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,500.00
830-04	Hazard Insurance	10,000.00	9,636.00	10,300.00
840-00	**Membership Fees and Dues Total**	4,265.00	4,205.56	4,355.00
840-01	Masonic Service Association	3,250.00	3,200.56	3,200.00
840-02	Conference of Grand Masters	550.00	540.00	690.00
840-03	GMC Committee on Recognition	100.00	100.00	100.00

840-04	Conference of Grand Secretary	65.00	65.00	65.00
840-05	Southeastern Masonic Conference	300.00	300.00	300.00
850-00	**Travel and Office Expense Total**	26,550.00	19,446.32	31,600.00
850-01	Grand Master's Travel	7,000.00	4,028.04	9,000.00
850-02	Grand Master's Automobile	4,000.00	4,000.00	6,500.00
850-03	Grand Master's Office	1,000.00	72.45	1,000.00
850-04	Deputy Grand Master's Travel	600.00	484.29	600.00
850-05	Senior Grand Warden's Travel	600.00	84.92	600.00
850-06	Junior Grand Warden's Travel	600.00	349.84	600.00
850-07	Grand Treasurer's Travel	650.00	326.76	500.00
850-09	Grand Secretary's Travel	5,000.00	4,848.15	6,500.00
850-10	Judge Advocate Office & Travel	100.00	63.33	100.00
850-11	DDGM Travel	1,600.00	1,613.20	1,600.00
850-12	DDGL Travel	1,600.00	1,202.57	1,600.00
850-13	Grand Lodge Comm. & Emer. Comm	3,800.00	2,372.77	3,000.00
860-00	**Boards and Committees Office and Travel Total**	22,300.00	22,011.75	24,200.00
860-01	Board of General Purposes	1,700.00	1,483.91	2,000.00
860-02	Board of Custodians	7,000.00	7,303.87	7,200.00
860-03	Lecture Service	4,000.00	3,120.00	5,000.00
860-04	Masonic Public Relations	7,500.00	5,977.83	6,000.00
860-05	Finance Committee	200.00	511.18	600.00
860-06	Code Commission	100.00	0.00	100.00
860-07	Lodge Service Commission	300.00	135.09	300.00
890-06	Masonic Education (R & D)	1,500.00	3,479.87	3,000.00
870-00	**Out-of-State Visitation Total**	9,900.00	5,344.52	15,400.00
870-01	Visiting other Grand Lodges	1,500.00	0.00	6,000.00
870-02	Conference of Grand Masters	3,000.00	1,542.21	1,600 00
870-03	Conference of Grand Secretaries	1,200.00	1,200.00	400.00
870-04	MSA & GWNMA Conference	1,200.00	1,200.00	400.00
870-05	Southeastern Masonic Conference	3,000.00	1,402.31	7,000.00
880-00	**Annual Communication Total**	34,000.00	39,158.79	37,500.00
880-01	Grand Lodge Officers		1,993.94	
880-02	Past Grand Masters		2,598.60	
880-03	DDGM's Travel		4,485.60	
880-04	DDGL's Travel		3,429.90	
880-05	Boards, Committees,& Comm.		3,952.70	
880-06	Guests		3,922.20	
880-08	Auditorium, Banquets, Etc.		18,775.85	
890-00	**Miscellaneous Expenses Total**	14,110.00	12,318.24	8,850.00
890-01	Awards, Aprons, and Emblems	10,500.00	10,494.05	6,000.00
890-02	Grand Master's Portrait	550.00	362.25	500.00
890-03	Trial Commission Expense	100.00	0.00	100.00
890-04	Contingencies	2,600.00	1,016.94	1,800.00
890-05	Warehouse Storage	360.00	445.00	450.00
900-00	**North Carolina Mason Total**	99,675.00	93,386.27	86,000.00
901-01	Editor's Salary	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
901-02	Social Security	918.00	918.00	918.00
901-03	Printing	34,627.00	31,170.01	33,630.00
901-04	Postage	46,400.00	43,834.75	34,252.00
901-05	Labels	1,805.00	1,339.90	1,200.00
901-06	Sales Tax	1,925.00	1,599.41	2,000.00
901-07	Travel	1,000.00	912.88	1,000.00
901-08	Miscellaneous Expenses	1,000.00	1,611.32	1,000.00
	RECAPITULATION OF BUDGETS			
800-00	Total Philanthrophy	37,300.00	37,100.00	37,300.00
810-00	Total Salaries and Fees	162,430.00	162,818.41	171,431.00
820-00	Total Administration Costs	40,200.00	39,301.04	45,700.00
830-00	Total Building	29,900.00	29,226.03	32,200.00
840-00	Total Membership Fees and Dues	4,265.00	4,205.56	4,355.00
850-00	Total Travel and Officers Exp.	26,550.00	19,446.32	31,600.00
860-00	Total Boards Comm. Comm.	22,300.00	22,011.75	24,200.00
870-00	Total Out-of-state Visitation	9,900.00	5,344.52	15,400.00
880-00	Total Annual Communication	34,000.00	39,158.79	37,500.00
890-00	Total Miscellaneous Expense	14,110.00	12,318.24	8,850.00
900-00	Total North Carolina Mason	99,675.00	93,386.27	86,000.00
	Series 800-00—900-00 Total	480,630.00	464,316.93	494,536.00

ESTIMATE OF MEMBERSHIP
(As of December 31, 1991)

ADD: Gains in 1991

Number INITIATED	1,391
Number PASSED	1,266
Number RAISED	1,285
Number ADMITTED	388
Number RESTORED	251
Total Gains	1,924

DEDUCT: Losses in 1991

Number EXPELLED	8
Number SUSPENDED, U.M.C.	3
Number EXCLUDED, N.P.D.	1,008
Number DEMITTED	405
Number DIED	1,471
Total Losses	2,895
Total Number of Master Masons December 31, 1991	66,517
NET LOSS for 1991	971
Petitions for Degrees Rejected in 1991	153

(Note: The foregoing figures under ESTIMATE OF MEMBERSHIP are subject to change as the Annual Returns of the lodges are audited during the year.)

CHARTERED LODGES

Number of Chartered Lodges as of December 31, 1991. 392

(Note: There were no lodges under Dispensation as of December 31, 1991)

THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA AWARDS

Due to a break in and the theft of our computer, we are unable this year to furnish a list of the recipients of the Veteran's Awards and Diamond Jubilee Awards, and the number of Twenty-five Year Awards presented.

EMERGENT COMMUNICATION

An Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge was held during the current Masonic year, as follows:

March 7, 1992, at Rutherfordton, for the purpose of dedicating the Temple of Western Star Lodge No. 91.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT P. DUDLEY
Grand Secretary

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR

(Docket No. 4)

The following report of Brother David Scobie, Certified Public Accountant, Auditor, was received, entered on the record and referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

I have audited the accompanying balance sheet of The Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of North Carolina as of December 31, 1991 and 1990, and the related statements of support and revenue, expenses, capital additions and changes in fund balances and of cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of management. My responsibility is to express

an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of North Carolina as of December 31, 1991 and 1990, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

My examination was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of support and revenue, expenses, capital additions and changes in fund balance—general fund, by sub-fund, is presented for purposes of additional information and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, I express no opinion on it.

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID E. SCOBIE
Grand Lodge Accountant

REPORT OF THE LODGE SERVICE COMMISSION

(Docket No. 5)

The following report of the Lodge Service Commission was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Lodge Service Commission respectfully submits the following report for the period beginning February 1, 1991 and ending January 31, 1992:

Advance Lodge No. 710 — Inquiry concerning building new lodge – November 14, 1991.

Belhaven Lodge No. 509 — Approved application to borrow money — May 30, 1991.

Bethel Lodge No. 589 —Approval to borrow money —November 14, 1991.

Bula Lodge No. 409 —Approved borrowing money to replace furnace and air conditioner — September 25, 1991.

Cabarrus Lodge No. 720 — Inquiry concerning building program — May 20, 1991.

Chadbourn Lodge No. 607 — Application to borrow money to purchase real estate — July 9, 1991.

Dan River Lodge No. 129 — Approved application to purchase real property — October 5, 1991.

Derita Lodge 715 —Application to purchase 3.5 acres of land. — September 25, 1991.

Eno Lodge No. 210 — Inquiry concerning renovation —April 10, 1991.

James K. Polk Lodge No. 759 — Approval to borrow money and purchase real property — April 23, 1991.

Long Creek Lodge No. 205 — Approval to purchase real property approved — April 16, 1991.

Oconee Lodge No. 427 —Approved application to purchase Lot #2 — June 25, 1991.

Orient Lodge No. 395 —Approved request to allow lodge to dry in both the main part of the building and dining hall —September 4, 1991.

Palmyra Lodge No. 147 —Approved application to purchase real property — July 16, 1991.

Perserverance Lodge No. 59 — Approved application to enter into building program — October 25, 1991.

Rocky Mount Masonic Center — Approved formation of Masonic Center between Corinthian Lodge No. 230 and Queen City Lodge No. 602— October 7, 1991.

Received application to purchase real property — November 29, 1991.

Semper Fidelis Lodge No. 680 — Inquiry concerning renovation of kitchen and replacement of kitchen equipment — October 3, 1991.

Twin City Lodge No. 729 — Received application to form corporation with York Rite —October 5, 1991.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM L. MILLS, III P.M. *Chairman*
JOHN W. TANZY, P.M.
ELWOOD E. CAYTON, P.M.
ROBERT L. PARKER, P.M., P.D.D.G.M.
WILLIAM B. BELLOIS, P.G.M.

REPORT OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE

(Docket No. 6)

The following report of the Judge Advocate was received, entered on the record, and adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

During the Masonic year 1991-92, the Judge Advocate has considered twenty-one (21) matters, and the disposition has been as follows:

Determined by Judge Advocate	9
Determined by Trial Commission	6
Dismissed by Judge Advocate	6
Matters pending Trial	0
TOTAL	21

Respectfully submitted,
ALTON L. STRICKLAND, P. M.
Acting Judge Advocate

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS

(Docket No. 7)

The Committee on By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges presented the following report which was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee on By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges reports that amendments to the By-Laws of the following Lodges were approved during the year 1991-1992:

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS APPROVED

William G. Hill Lodge No. 218 - March 15, 1991

Atkinson Lodge No. 612 - March 27, 1991
Zion Lodge No. 81 - March 27, 1991
Black Mountain Lodge No. 663 - May 3, 1991
Corinthian Lodge No. 542 - May 3, 1991
Asheboro Lodge No. 699 - May 3, 1991
Cary Lodge No. 198 - May 23, 1991
Ashe Lodge No. 594 - June 5, 1991
Montgomery Lodge No. 426 - June 5, 1991
Piedmont Lodge No . 711 - June 17, 1991
Corinthian Lodge No. 230 - June 17, 1991
Oxford Lodge No. 122 - June 17, 1991
Blackmer Lodge No. 127 - June 17, 1991
Phoenix Lodge No. 8 - June 17, 1991
Creasy Proctor Lodge No. 679 - June 21, 1991
Doric Lodge No. 568 - June 21, 1991
Goldsboro Lodge No. 634 - July 3, 1991
Joppa Lodge No. 401 - July 3, 1991
Stonewall Lodge No . 296 - July 17, 1991
Selma Lodge No. 320 - July 17, 1991
Kilwinning Lodge No. 64 - July 17, 1991
Berne Lodge No. 724 - July 17, 1991
Liberty Lodge No. 45 - July 24, 1991
Richard Caswell Lodge No. 705 - July 24, 1991
Lebanon Lodge No. 391 - August 5, 1991
Gate City Lodge No. 694 - August 5, 1991
Walnut Cove Lodge No. 629 - August 8, 1991
Dillsboro Lodge No. 459 - August 8, 1991
Columbus Lodge No. 102 - August 9, 1991
Fulton Lodge No. 99 - August 9, 1991
Keystone Lodge No. 726 - August 9, 1991
Balfour Lodge No. 188 - August 27, 1991
Greensboro Lodge No. 76 - August 27, 1991
Stedman Lodge No. 730 - August 27, 1991
King Lodge No. 722 - August 27, 1991
Memorial Lodge No. 696 - August 27, 1991
Mount Pleasant Lodge No. 573 - August 27, 1991
Hominy Lodge No. 491 - August 27, 1991
Southern Pines Lodge No. 484 - August 27, 1991
Hibriten Lodge No. 262 - September 12, 1991
Crissie Wright Lodge No. 741 - September 30, 1991
William G. Hill Lodge No. 218 - October 1, 1991
Conover Lodge No. 709 - October 1, 1991
Belmont Lodge No. 627 - October 1, 1991
Jeff L. Nelson Lodge No. 605 - October 1, 1991
Copeland Lodge No. 390 - October 1, 1991
Farmville Lodge No. 517 - October 1, 1991
Elise Lodge No. 555 - October 15, 1991
Glenville Lodge No. 551 - October 17, 1991

Mount Pleasant Lodge No. 573 - October 18, 1991
Bladen Lodge No. 646 - October 18, 1991
Perservance Lodge No. 59 - October 28, 1991
Bingham Lodge No. 272 - October 28, 1991
Stony Point Lodge No. 593 - October 28, 1991
Mount Hermon Lodge No. 118 - October 31, 1991
Hamlet Lodge No. 532 - October 31, 1991
Denton Lodge No. 404 - November 14, 1991
Albemarle Lodge No. 703 - November 14, 1991
Clifford Duell Lodge No. 756 - November 20, 1991
Lenoir Lodge No. 233 - November 14, 1991
Hollis Lodge No. 535 - November 14, 1991
Kedron Lodge No. 387 - November 14, 1991
Bingham Lodge No. 272 - November 20, 1991
Farmville Lodge No. 517 - November 20, 1991
Garland Lodge No. 664 - November 20, 1991
Newell Lodge No. 739 - November 25, 1991
William G. Hill Lodge No. 218 - December 6, 1991
Andrew Jackson Lodge No. 576 - December 6, 1991
Black Mountain Lodge No. 663 - December 16, 1991
Statesville Lodge No. 27 - December 30, 1991
Lillington Lodge No. 302 - December 30, 1991

Respectfully submitted,
T. Walton Clapp, III, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHARITY

(Docket No. 8)

The Committee on Charity presented the following report, which was entered on the record and referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Charity wishes to report the following disbursements for the calendar year 1991:

For the relief of Brother W. C.	$ 500.00
To Oxford Orphanage	7,000.00
To Masonic and Eastern Star Home	7,000.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$ 14,500.00

Respectfully submitted,
J. WILLIAM HUDSON, *Chairman*

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

(Docket No. 9)

The following report of Brother Tommy L. Jones, Superintendent of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Inc., was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Board of Directors:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

It is time once again for me to submit my Annual Report. This is the Home's 75th and my 12th. I have tried not to be repetitive, although the very nature of these reports is one of sameness. The Report is divided into four parts, namely A) General Comments, B) Service Rendered, C) Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment, and D) In Appreciation. To avoid duplication, I have, as in years past, left the Home's finances and Board decisions for the Director's Report.

A. General Comments

The year 1991 was a most successful one for the Home. Despite the illness, surgeries, retirements, and deaths among both the residents and personnel, we were able to care for more residents than in any other year, and we had the lowest turnover among the employees than in any of the preceding 12 years. Moreover, in spite of our largest operating budget to date, we were able to pay all bills, make the necessary repairs, purchase our budgeted items and still see our Home Endowment grow to a much greater extent.

Improvements to the buildings and grounds included:

1. Replacement of the Linville Building chiller
2. Repaving road leading from Main Gate to Independent Apartments
3. A Ceramachrome Kiln for ceramics
4. Replacement of some corridor carpets
5. Retiling floor in Care Center Solarium
6. Wiring for better television reception in Bennette and Latham Buildings
7. Planting 29 Bradford Pear trees on both sides of road leading from Main Gate to Independent Apartments. (The trees do not produce pears but are well shaped and will beautify the grounds.)

Among the many deaths, perhaps it is noteworthy to mention three losses. Our oldest resident, Brother Herman Corry, from Huntersville, passed away on February 12, 1991, at the age of 102. He had been a resident of the Home for a little over four years. After a two-year bout with lung cancer, Brother Joe Quate, our Maintenance Supervisor, passed away on Friday, September 27, 1991. He had faithfully labored in the quarries at the Home for eight years. And, lastly, the Reverend Carl Herman, who for 46 years had graciously provided monthly Communion for the residents, was felled with a massive stroke at the age of 80 on November 23, 1991. These three are sorely missed.

In concluding this portion of my Report, I would be remiss if I did not state the following:

1. The Home continues to meet and, in many cases, surpass the standards set forth by both the North Carolina Division of Facility Services and the Continuing Care Compliance Requirements of the North Carolina Department of Insurance.

2. Because of exorbitant premiums, the Home changed its medical coverage for the employees from Blue Cross/Blue Shield to the Great West Health Insurance Corporation in September 1991.

3. In May,1991, the Home received the Public Service Award given annually by the North Carolina Association of Non-Profit Homes.

4. With the aid and strong support of Brother Walt Clapp, Asst. Grand Secretary, I now have a truly professional visual aid presentation of the Home. Those who have seen the program have commented most favorably.

5. The Reverend and Brother Victor Dowd completed his first year as the Home Chaplain. His counseling to both the residents and employees in times of need, his Chapel programs, and his hospital visitations have added greatly to the total program of services given daily.

6. The Masonic and Eastern Star Home maintains membership in the following organizations:

a) North Carolina Association of Non-Profit Homes for the Aging
b) American Association of Homes for the Aging
c) Masonic Homes Executives Association of North America
d) Piedmont Long Term Nursing Directors Association

B. Service Rendered 1991

Enrollment	**Men**	**Women**	**Total**
Total Enrollment (1-1-91)	35	163	198
Admissions	6	17	23
Total Cared For	41	180	221
Deaths	5	12	17
Enrollment (12-31-91)	36	168	204
Days of Care			
Total Possible for Census (1-1-91)	12,775	59,495	72,270
Total Possible for Admissions	1,480	3,092	4,572
Total Possible	14,255	62,587	76,842
Total Days Not Used by Deceased	826	2,378	3,204
Total Days of Care 1991	13,429	60,209	73,638
Average Daily Enrollment	37	165	202
Waiting List			
Number of Applicants on Waiting List (1-91)	21	93	114
Number of Applications Approved	16	17	33
Number of Applications Disapproved	0	0	0
Number of Applicants on Waiting List (12-91)	24	82	106

NOTABLE COMPARISONS 1990-1991

Enrollment	**1990**	**1991**
Admissions	18	23
Deaths	18	17
Total Cared For	216	221
Year End Enrollment	198	204
Days of Care		
Total Days of Care	71,059	73,638
Average Daily Enrollment	194	202
Waiting List		
Number of Applicants Approved	35	33
Number of Applicants at Year's End	114	106

C. Buildings, Grounds and Equipment

On the campus of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, there is a large complex of seven buildings, all connected by corridors. Of the seven, there are three residential buildings, an administrative/residential building, a Chapel, a kitchen/dining room, and a Care Center. Adjacent to the Main Complex are sixteen independent apartments. Other structures on the campus are the Superintendent's residence, the Maintenance Supervisor's residence, a boiler room building, a storage building for heavy outside equipment, and a gazebo.

It is my continued policy to keep all these buildings in first class shape at all times. I have never felt it wise to permit necessary repairs to accumulate, but that it was more economical and much better to attend at once to each occurring item needing repair.

All types of repair must be done. Repairs to locks, doors, windows, blinds and furniture must be constantly attended to. Also repairs to plumbing leaks in sinks, tubs, toilets, showers and drain lines must be made at all times. Roofs must be repaired and occasionally replaced. Down spouts and drainage pipes

must be kept open. There are scores of motors and hundreds of fluorescent and regular light bulbs that must be attended to. Two tractors (one for mowing and one for removing ice and snow), a minibus, a van, a station wagon, a pickup truck and a jeep must be kept in constant operation. The grounds must be kept in attractive shape by having lawns mowed, shrubbery fertilized and pruned, and trees properly trimmed. In fact, there is always something needing attention and it is a large task to keep everything in first class shape.

The two boilers are capable of burning either oil or gas and at least one is in operation the entire year. There is a constant need for heat during cold months and a need for hot water and steam every day of the year for cooking, laundering, the drying of linens and clothes, and for baths. Both boilers have to be cleaned, inspected, and insured along with the buildings each year.

In chronological order,the ages of our buildings are the Chapel, 51 years; the Latham Building, 43 years; Maintenance Supervisor's residence, 33 years; Setzer Building, 30 years; Boiler Room, 29 years; Mangum Dining Hall/Kitchen, 26 years; Bennette Building, 25 years; Bass Care Center, 22 years; Superintendent's residence, 22 years; Linville Building, 17 years; Independent Apartments, 13 years.

One can easily see that most of our buildings have been in operation for over a quarter of a century. The constant aging on the outside from nature's furies and on the inside from everyday use,plus the gradual deterioration that occurs with old age,requires our constant vigilance and usually some daily repair. The one advantage of resident relocation from the residential areas to the Care Center is that it requires us to repair and repaint the vacant room, giving a fresh look to an old room.

A four million dollar plant cannot be neglected. The Home has always prided itself on possessing a well-kept campus, with the buildings and equipment in a good state of repair. Visitors to the Home often comment on the neatness and cleanliness of the buildings and grounds.

D. In Appreciation

The success of a home or institution of this size depends on the loyalty, devotion, and commitment of many. The residents, the employees, the Board of Directors, Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter, OES officers, subordinate Lodges and Chapters, Appendant Bodies and friends, all have a bearing on whether or not the Home can operate smoothly on a daily basis. Any extended period of dissatisfaction from any of the above groups for whatever the reason creates an atmosphere of disharmony,which then in turn affects the daily care rendered to the residents. For the most part, harmony has prevailed.

I want to commend the residents for their cooperation in obeying the rules and regulations of the Home. It has been a joy living in their midst for the past eleven years. I am deeply grateful beyond words of expression for the loyalty and commitment of the employees. Many have on many occasions gone beyond the regular working hours to provide necessary care to our elderly Sisters and Brothers. Even in times of adversity such as a delayed merited pay raise, they have risen to the occasion and have neither lessened their morale nor shirked their duties.

I am appreciative of Brother Lester Martin, Grand Master, and Brothers Sherrill Williams, Jack Honeycutt, P.G.M., and Jim Whitley, who have completed their terms as Board Members. Each has provided time and effort in making the Home a better place in which to live and work.

I am grateful to all the Lodges, Eastern Star Chapters, Sisters and Brothers who have contributed financially or in any way for the betterment of the Home. Their names would be too numerous to list here, but I hope they have received a blessing because of their loving kindness in helping others.

The following Appendant Bodies should be recognized for making a special financial contribution to the Home in 1991: Oxford York Rite Bodies, Washing-

ton York Rite Bodies, Goldsboro York Rite Bodies, Greensboro York Rite Bodies and The Grand York Rite Bodies of North Carolina. These Appendant Bodies have become yearly contributors to the Home, and for this I am most thankful.

My deep love for the Home, the Orphanage, and Freemasonry grows stronger with each passing year.

Respectfully submitted,
TOMMY L. JONES
Superintendent

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

(Docket No. 10)

The following report of the Board of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

During 1991 the Board held its regular Saturday quarterly meetings on February 9, May 11, August 10 and October 26. All of the meetings were well attended and for the most part, a spirit of harmony and cooperativeness prevailed. Besides the Directors, there were many visitors, including the Grand Lodge Oversight Committee members in attendance at all meetings. Grand Master Martin is to be commended for opening the Board Meeting for visitors and soliciting their input.

Mrs. Sarah Shaber, Executive Director of the North Carolina Association of Non-Profit Homes for the Aging, presented information to the Board at the August 10 meeting. Mrs. Shaber gave an overall view of the nursing home care in the state and some of the future problems we face in caring for the elderly.

The line officers of both Grand Bodies met after the regular meeting on Saturday, October 26. The gist of this meeting revolved around finances-the expanding operating expenses and the shrinking income.

Three Resolutions were passed during the year.

1. "Fifty percent (50%) of the residents' division of assets, upon entrance, fifty percent (50%) of all real estate and fifty percent (50%) of all mortgage interest to be placed in the operating fund and the other fifty percent (50%) to be placed in the Capital Improvement Fund." (Before the Resolution, the division was twenty-five percent (25%) for the operating fund and seventy-five percent (75%) for capital improvement.)

2. "Business Manager is to use any available income to pay all operating expenses."

3. "As part of the application, all applicants must furnish the last three years of tax returns."

At each meeting, the Superintendent, the Assistant Administrator, and the Business Manager gave detailed reports and statistical tables about each department, the care extended, and the financial status of the Home. From these reports, from our conversations with both residents and employees, and from our own observations, the Board can truly report that the care being given to our elderly Brothers and Sisters is superb, the buildings, although old, are in good repair, the grounds are neat and attractive, and the financial status, although an ongoing concern, is sound at this time.

Because the Board meets as a body only four times each year, we must, by the very nature of this arrangement, rely heavily on the administration and employees to provide all necessary care to our residents. We must have faith and trust that their judgments will be correct and their decisions fair for all involved.

We want to commend the Superintendent, the Assistant Administrator, the Business Manager, and each employee for their dedication to the Home and for their perseverance in carrying out the daily tasks. Each Mason and Eastern Star can be proud of our Home in Greensboro. We urge each to find some time within the year to make a visit.

TOTAL OPERATING INCOME

RESIDENTS	1990	1991
Income	$1,005,759	$1,016,795
Asset Division	106,735	636,696
Real Estate	—	156,671
Apartment Income	102,977	116,470
Resident Trust Account	48,002	37,112
Deceased Residents	140,033	96,017
Mortgage Interest	—	12,400
TOTAL	1,403,506	2,072,161
	(47%)	(58%)
FRATERNAL		
Blue Lodges, Appendant Bodies	$ 346,601	$ 352,651
N. C. Masonic Foundation	209,192	286,687
Grand Lodge	20,000	35,633
Grand Chapter OES	380,722	223,313
TOTAL	956,515	898,284
	(32%)	(25%)
HOME ENDOWMENT		
Earnings	$ 215,987	$ 263,505
Investment	266,798	190,627
TOTAL	482,785	454,132
	(16%)	(13%)
MISCELLANEOUS		
Charitable Trusts	$ 66,485	$ 70,638
Medical Recoveries	55,755	46,849
N.C. Sales Tax Refund	28,300	29,239
Furniture, Telephone, Meals, Ceramics	16,190	17,903
TOTAL	166,730	164,629
	(5%)	(4%)
GRAND TOTAL OF INCOME	$3,009,559	$3,589,205

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE

	1990	1991
Administrative	$ 890,527	$ 888,798
Dietary	458,412	488,537
Maintenance	572,796	413,824
Health Care (Care Center)	1,311,249	1,431,901
Housekeeping	224,868	234,859
Laundry	32,000	31,643
Activities	47,859	63,377
Independent Apartments	—	36,266
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	$3,538,254	$3,589.205
Cost Per Resident (Year)	18,238	17,768
Cost Per Resident (Month)	1,520	1,481
Cost Per Resident (Day)	49.97	48.68

Care Center Building Fund	
Accumulated Funds (1-1-91)	$ 841,866
Contributions	208,134
Accumulated Funds (12-31-91)	1,050,000

Respectfully submitted,
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MASONIC
AND EASTERN STAR HOME OF
NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME

(Docket No. 11)

The Report of the Committee on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Inc., was received, entered on the record, and

referred to the Board of Directors:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The committee on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home met at the Home on February 6, 1992 for the annual inspection. Four of the five committee members were present as follows: William H. Simpson, J. Cecil Cartner, Henry A. Hendrix and Rufus L. Edmisten. Members of the committee had previously visited the home on other occasions including the quarterly meetings of the Board of Directors.

Upon our arrival at the Home, we were greeted by Brother Tommy L. Jones, Superintendent. We assembled in the Board Room where a discussion was held on the operation of the Home and a number of questions by the committee members regarding the Home were answered by Brother Jones.

The Superintendent then conducted us on a lengthy tour of the entire facility. During the tour we had occasion, not only to inspect the physical plant, but also to talk to residents of the Home, members of the administrative staff and other employees, visit the Care Center and dine in the dining room.

We toured each building including the administrative building, the chapel, Setzer, Bennett and Latham Buildings, the Care Center and the dining room. We also visited the laundry and equipment areas. We were impressed with the cleanliness as well as the orderliness and organization in each area. Each building appeared to be in a good state of repair. The only obvious need was replacement of some water stained ceiling tiles in one of the halls. We found the grounds to be well kept, neat and clean. Every member of the committee noted and was impressed with the absence of some unpleasant characteristics frequently associated with a facility of this type. We compliment the entire staff on their expertise in eliminating this type problem.

We found the guests to be extremely pleasant, in good spirits and obviously happy. Many expressed their extreme gratitude for such a Home. Members of the staff appeared to be equally happy.

The committee enjoyed a delightful lunch in the dining room. The food was delicious and the choices were excellent. The Home has a 95.5 rating by the North Carolina Department of Human Resources.

As has been the procedure in the past, this committee did not review the business areas of the Home. Nor did we get into any discussions on the merits of expansion of the Care Center or the addition of an intermediate level of care. Following our tour of the Home, we again assembled to review and discuss our findings. We were unanimous in our conclusions that this is an extremely well organized and well managed facility, with a skilled staff and a happy family of residents. We can all be proud of our Home and the service it is rendering to our Sisters and Brothers.

This committee would encourage every Brother to visit the Home and enjoy the same rewarding experience as this committee.

We express our gratitude to Brother Tommy Jones and the entire staff for their cooperation and hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM H. SIMPSON
Chairman

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF OXFORD ORPHANAGE

(Docket No. 12)

The following report of Brother David R. Grissom, Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage, Inc., was received, entered on the

record, and referred to the Board of Directors:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Thanks to you, our Masons, alumni and friends, your Oxford Orphanage has had another successful year. From the children and staff, who live and work at this beautiful 118 year old Masonic Home for children, we extend our deep appreciation for your continued support.

As Superintendent, I am delighted to be a part of a wonderful childcare facility that has the reputation and compassion which has been exemplified in Oxford Orphanage over its long rich history. It is a pleasure to work with a wonderful family of employees who are dedicated to helping each child reach his or her fullest potential.

The overall campus continues to score a GRADE A in appearance and operation. The local Health Department conducted their annual visit in December of 1991 and every department is operating on schedule. As you can imagine, upkeep and preventive maintenance are done on a daily basis as this keeps costs at a minimum level.

The Granville County School System continues to give wonderful support to our children as the five schools, where our children attend, are striving to assist each child reach his or her educational endeavors. We appreciate the many opportunities these different schools provide our children, however, the school principals and teachers realize that our staff is available to assist our students if a conference or information is needed to support our children.

The Independent Living Program is progressing very well as we will see our first two graduates complete their work at Vance-Granville Community College in the Spring of 1992. In June 1992, five of our seniors will graduate from J.F. Webb High School and four have already indicated they are looking forward to entering Independent Living after graduation. One of our five students has already been accepted at East Carolina University as she has an overall average of 93 at the writing of this report.

With the approval of our Board of Directors, a new Pre-Kindergarten Program has been established in the lower level of our York Rite Memorial Chapel. This program on campus originated due to the lack of space available at West Oxford Elementary School. As West Oxford needed more space to meet the needs of this growing program throughout Granville County, it was decided several rooms in our chapel could be utilized.

The Pre-Kindergarten children are bused to the campus from West Oxford Elementary School and returned to the school each day. However, several of our Oxford Orphanage children from the Dunn Cottage are a part of this program and as a result walk next door to the chapel to attend their class. Fortunately, due to the assistance Oxford Orphanage is giving toward this Pre-Kindergarten Program, the Granville County School System has installed a computer lab in one of the rooms in the chapel which helps over forty of our students with their studies. Tutorial assistance is always needed for many of our students and the four station computer lab, under adult supervision, has been a great asset in meeting some of the demands for our children. In addition, due to the emphasis on studies and maintaining a quality education, a study hall has been established in our Campus Recreational Center to assist our athletes. Our sports program is a privilege and all our students know in order to play sports they must maintain good grades in school. The Athletic Director, Mike Little, coordinates this study hall and the results of this endeavor have been very successful.

In other areas of campus life, the Beef Herd Operation has completed the first year and the success has been beneficial both vocationally and economically. Vocationally, several of our students have become involved in the beef herd operation through our local 4-H Program. The students continue to learn how to raise their particular cows and take them to show or to market to sell. Economically, as Oxford Orphanage is a non-profit facility, the beef herd operation is to first assist the students and work toward utilizing this program on a sound

financial basis. As we work with this program in the years ahead, we should be able to accomplish even more vocational and economical goals with much success.

In addition, all of our departments on campus are working diligently to maintain a quality childcare program. For example, the clothing and dietary programs have received many donations and we are grateful to our masons and friends who have helped us. We have received donations of clothing, shoes and material from lodges, individuals and various companies and as you can imagine, this is a tremendous assistance in keeping our expenses at a minimum. Fortunately this year, we have had the pleasure of greeting various masonic lodges and groups of people who have provided cookouts or special programs for our entire campus. Our big family looks forward to these special events as this is a wonderful time to see our masons and to provide a tour of our campus. To each of the wonderful lodges and masons who come to the Orphanage for a visit or participate in a special function, we are very appreciative.

In our chapel program this year, we have been especially pleased with our choir. On many occasions, the choir has visited various parts of the state and performed their beautiful music. To each of the lodges, churches and areas where our children sang, we thank you for your hospitality. During their visits, the choir was invited to stay overnight in homes and the friendships that occurred will be remembered for many years. Our choir, just as our athletic teams, serve as wonderful ambassadors when they visit other areas of our state, and the support they have received has been outstanding. A special thanks to each of our adults who travel with our children as they enjoy giving of their time to support our young people in their various programs.

In addition to special programs, Perdue Farms, Inc. sponsored their second annual "Operation Teddy Bear" on our campus in the Fall. In 1990 eighteen super rigs rolled on campus to provide a truck ride for every child. In 1991, thirty-two super rigs came to the campus to provide another successful day for our children. This year, Central Children's Home in Oxford joined our students and both groups enjoyed a full day of excitement. The truck drivers, and in many cases their families and staff members from the Perdue office in Salisbury, Maryland, gave of their time to provide this event. After the rides, the Perdue Family provided a meal "Under the Oaks." This has become such a successful endeavor for Perdue Farms as they have begun preparations for the Fall of 1992 when a larger number of trucks return to Oxford Orphanage.

Also, we extend our deep gratitude to Winn-Dixie Stores as they honored Oxford Orphanage for the third year with the "Good Citizenship Award." A monetary gift was presented to agencies who exercise outstanding care for its residents and maintain strong community relations. We appreciate the recognition from Winn-Dixie Stores and we are grateful to our Masons as you strive to help us maintain a strong and productive childcare program.

In addition to special events, we were excited with our annual St. John's Day Celebration which was held in June , 1991. Amran, Oasis and Sudan Temples provided an excellent parade, delicious food and a great deal of fun for over fifteen thousand masons, their families and friends who visited the Oxford Orphanage campus. Brother Lloyd Young, Chairman, and his committee for the St. John's Day event did an outstanding job in preparing for this special day and we appreciate all the wonderful work that made this event a great success. As you know, this is the largest Masonic gathering in the state each year and the entire Oxford Orphanage Family looks forward to your visit and participation. Already, plans have been well underway in preparation for St. John's Day on June 20, 1992. Mr. Jerry Reid has been scheduled to be our featured entertainer, along with The Hollanders and our Oxford Orphanage Choir. Your only admission is a big smile and a lounge chair so those in attendance can sit "Under the Oaks" and enjoy a day you will remember for many years.

Along with special programs, you will be pleased to know we have formed our first International Order of Rainbow for Girls known as Granville Assembly,

L.T. Under the direction of Mrs. Linda Atkinson, Mother Advisor and her advisory committee, a fine group of over forty young ladies are involved in the Rainbow Girls with over three-fourths of these girls coming from Oxford Orphanage and the remaining number from the community. The first Worthy Advisor elected was a young lady from our campus who was also elected Homecoming Queen for the Orphanage this year. Miss Wendy Cox, from Kernersville Lodge No. 669, has done a splendid job and we congratulate her. By the way, Ms. Atkinson is also a counselor for Bemis Cottage on campus and her enthusiasm toward this meaningful endeavor has been commendable. The Rainbow Girls meet two times a month in our local Oxford Lodge No. 122.

In addition, this report would not be complete unless we mentioned our supportive alumni. During the second weekend in October, all former students returned "home" to greet those brothers and sisters whom they knew and shared many years growing together. This year, over six hundred alumni enjoyed sharing stories and thanking our masons for providing a home which gave them a chance to grow, learn and develop skills which helped them to face some of lifes many challenges. The Alumni Association is very supportive of Oxford Orphanage as they strive through special projects and programs to enhance what this home means to them.

As you can see, we have had an exciting year in 1991 as there are many more goals and achievements we will strive to attain in 1992. We are grateful for what has been done during this year as the Masons, alumni and friends of Oxford Orphanage have been wonderful supporters. However, in 1992 we look forward to many more of our Masons visiting our facility as your presence on your campus would mean a great deal to all of us.

A special thanks is extended to Grand Master Lester P. Martin, Jr. for his leadership this year as Chairman of our Board of Directors. In addition, we extend our appreciation to three of our faithful board members as they conclude their term on the Board. To Brothers Galard Moore, Charles Cathey, and David Bryant, we appreciate your guidance and commitment to Oxford Orphanage and we look forward to your continued support in the future.

In conclusion, a special thanks is extended to our students and employees who have made 1991 a wonderful year. As Superintendent, I am delighted and honored to see what our Masons provide through love, financial support and care for our children. Without your commitment we could not continue our long rich heritage in the areas of childcare. However, knowing you are dedicated to this fine home makes this work more enjoyable and I thank our Great Architect each day for you. May the blessings of life shower upon you as you continue to be a blessing to your Oxford Orphanage Family.

	Boys	Girls	Total
Total Enrollment 01/01/91	88	71	159
Admissions	46	18	64
Discharged	47	29	76
Total Enrollment 12/31/91	87	60	147

Respectfully submitted,
REV. DAVID R. GRISSOM
Superintendent

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF OXFORD ORPHANAGE, INC.

(Docket No. 13)

The following report of the Board of Directors of Oxford Orphanage, Inc. was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

During 1991, the Board of Directors held their quarterly meetings on the campus of Oxford Orphanage during the months of February, May, August and November. The November meeting was especially meaningful as the entire

Board and many of their wives spent a weekend, November 8,9,10 with the staff and children and concluded with Sunday worship in the Chapel and lunch with the large Orphanage Family. As all the quarterly meetings have been beneficial, the November meeting gave time to visit and see the Orphanage on a daily schedule.

In addition to our scheduled meetings, the Board of Directors continues to express appreciation to the Granville County School System for the support and wonderful assistance they have given to our children throughout the year 1991. One of the new projects which our Board approved in cooperation with the Granville County School System was a Pre-Kindergarten Program. This program is located in the lower level of the York Rite Memorial Chapel on the campus. West Oxford Elementary School in Oxford started this program over a year ago and the demand for more classroom space became a priority as enrollment grew rapidly. As a community supporter, Oxford Orphanage has always practiced the "good neighbor policy" so our Board gave approval to allow West Oxford Elementary School to use several rooms in the York Rite Chapel as a classroom space. As this is a day program, the children are brought to their classes from West Oxford School and returned when classes are complete. You will be interested to know that several of the Orphanage Pre-Kindergarten children are a part of this class which will be a wonderful benefit for other small children who are admitted to Oxford Orphanage. In addition, the Granville County School System has assisted all our children on campus by installing a computer lab in a designated room in the York Rite Chapel. This is a four station computer center where our students on campus can go during the week, under adult trained supervision, to receive tutorial assistance. This has been a wonderful addition as the computers are connected to the Administrative Office of the Granville School System so our students are able to maintain their studies as though they were in the classroom. Overall the School System and Oxford Orphanage are working together very well and we appreciate this kind of unity. Our children know if they need assistance at school or need support from the Orphanage regarding parent-teacher conferences Mr. Pat Cox, our Educational Representative, or a staff member from their Orphanage is always available to represent them. The staff takes pride in their response to the five schools who help our children. If a school official calls the Orphanage and needs assistance with any of the students, a staff member from the Orphanage is on the school property in less than fifteen minutes.

The enrollment at Oxford Orphanage has remained at an average of 150 students throughout 1991. At the end of 1991, we had 60 girls and 87 boys. As our Grand Master, Lester P. Martin, Jr. stressed in his District Meetings this year: "At the Oxford Orphanage we have the best child care facility in the State" and with this in mind, we have room for approximately seventy-five more children.

Our Independent Living Program on campus continues to do very well as we are assisting students who want to further their education beyond high school. This college dormitory allows students to remain on campus and attend Vance-Granville Community College, which is only seven miles from Oxford Orphanage. Once they complete their first two years, if grades permit, they are allowed to transfer to a four year college or move directly into the work force. As these fine young adults are only allowed two years in Independent Living, the Orphanage maintains we have given them some of the basic working tools to face adult living. We have five high school students who will graduate in June 1992 and four have indicated they want to move to Independent Living upon graduation.

The transition from a Dairy to a Beef Herd Operation a year ago has proven to be beneficial vocationally and economically. Under the direction of Frank Hobgood and Joe Duckworth, this program is assisting students through 4-H

projects and financially as we are able to raise and sell our cows at a much better rate. This is an excellent training program for our students as this provides the opportunity to teach responsibility and to take pride in the cows they have helped to raise. Whether the cows are shown in a 4-H show or taken to market to sell, the students benefit from the good work they have given.

Financially, the Board of Directors has maintained a careful study on the budget throughout 1991 and knowing the economy on a state and national level has been tight, great care has been utilized toward expenses. There is a Statement of Income and a Comparative Statement of Expenses shown at the conclusion of this report for your information. This will assist our Craft in understanding how their financial support is received and utilized. The Board of Directors, the children and staff of Oxford Orphanage expresses their continued thanks to all of the Masons for your financial support as we strive to maintain a quality childcare program. The total operating cost for Oxford Orphanage during 1991 was $2,663,916.19. You will be pleased to know this is a decrease in operating cost as the operating budget for 1990 was $2,885,601.30. This is a savings of $221,685.11 or a 7.7% decrease. The savings amount has been transferred to the Orphanage Endowment Fund as this will assist with operating expenses and capital improvements. As you know, Oxford Orphanage is the oldest Masonic Home for Children on its original site in America and with 118 years of rich history, we know we can count on our Masons across North Carolina to assist your children as we focus on future goals and achievements. Always know the doors of this beautiful home are open to you as we would welcome your visit.

In 1991, we celebrated the largest attendance for a St. John's Day on the campus of Oxford Orphanage. With over fifteen thousand masons, their families and friends visiting Oxford Orphanage, the Board of Directors, children and staff expresses deep appreciation for your support in this meaningful annual event. As you know, this is the largest masonic event in North Carolina each year and the support of the masons and the Oxford community has assisted in making this a wonderful success. A special thanks is extended to Brother Lloyd Young, Chairman of the St. John's Day Celebration, and his committee for the outstanding work they do each year. We continue to extend our thanks to all three Shrine Temples, Amran, Oasis and Sudan as they provide a wonderful parade, rides, food and an abundance of fun for all of those who attend. As this event continues to grow each year, please remember to mark your calendars and attend St. John's Day on June 20, 1992. Your only admission to this special day will be a big smile and a lounge chair so you can sit "Under the Oaks" and enjoy all the excitement.

The operation of the entire Oxford Orphanage campus is running smoothly and all the buildings are in good condition. Repairs and upkeep are routine and due to the care that is taken by the children and adults, the entire campus continues to be on a GRADE A rating. As a Board of Directors, we are always gratified to visit the campus and talk with the children as they express appreciation to all the masons for the support and care they receive. We do encourage more of our Craft to visit the campus and see what your donations and kindness are doing for the children as you would be delighted to return as soon as possible.

As we conclude our report, we express appreciation to Grand Master Lester P. Martin, Jr. for the leadership he has provided during this year as Chairman of the Oxford Orphanage Board of Directors. In addition, we extend our appreciation to three members who will complete their terms as faithful leaders of our Board. To Brothers Galard Moore, David Bryant, Charles Cathey and Grand Master Lester P. Martin, Jr., many thanks for your support and we look forward to your continued leadership and guidance.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME

	1990	1991
Legacies	$ 622,024.98	$ 1,180,457.20
Social Security Payments Received on Dependent Children	24,388.00	21,552.00
Printing	362,642.22	321,235.18
Farm	150,699.88	24,609.07
Miscellaneous, Materials Equipment Sold	10,261.73	25,115.83
Grand Lodge Appropriation and Funding	162,396.95	98,798.80
Donations (Blue Lodge) And Other Masonic Bodies	492, 529.62	489, 543.86
Donations - General Public	102,879.13	61,096.17
Income From Investments	1,056, 961.03	966, 264.47
Critcher Farm Income, Food Income, Cash Discounts	4,327.37	4, 511.05
TOTAL	$2,989,110.91	$3,193,183.63

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

	1990	1991
Administrative	$ 628, 561.01	644, 546.01
Direct Childcare	366, 235.93	395, 689.93
Food Service	230, 899.67	242, 403.80
Health Care	161,305.92	141,279.06
Religion	8,400.29	14,417. 72
Education	11,013.34	13,485.73
Recreation	39,523.70	36,275.35
Plant & Operation	770,989.25	658,650.26
Farm & Beef Operation	273,590.99	107,733.46
Printing Department	395,081.20	409,434.87
TOTAL	$2,885,601.30	$2,663,916.19

Respectfully submitted,
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OXFORD ORPHANAGE, INC.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OXFORD ORPHANAGE

(Docket No. 14)

The following report of the Committee on Oxford Orphanage was received, entered on the record and referred to the Board of Directors:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Pursuant to Regulation 38-17 of THE CODE of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, the Committee on Oxford Orphanage made its annual review and evaluation of the Oxford Orphanage at Oxford, North Carolina on March 7, 1992. Superintendent, Reverend and Brother David R. Grissom, his staff and the children, gave the Committee a most warm and cordial greeting.

The operation of the entire Oxford Orphanage Campus appears to be in good hands and the physical facilities are in good condition. The lovely campus and grounds add a sense of serenity and security to the everyday activities of the children. There is no question in the fact that Oxford Orphanage is the best child care facility in the State of North Carolina. The Independent Living program for high school graduates continues to be successful. During 1991, five students received the benefit of this program which allows students who have graduated from the public schools and wish to continue their education to remain on the campus. The remodeling of the barn which took place at an earlier time has had a beneficial effect on the beef herd operation which continues to offer excellent vocational training for our children.

The remodeling which occurred in the York Rite Chapel now provides space on the lower level for our pre-kindergarten program which is being operated in conjunction with the Granville County school system. The computer terminals which were installed by the Granville County school system have served as an excellent tool in assisting over forty of the Oxford Orphanage students in furthering their education. As of December 31, 1991, total enrollment at the orphanage stands at 147 and the total operating costs of the orphanage for the year 1991 was $2,663,916.19, representing a savings of $221, 685.11, or a 7.7% decrease from the projected budget. This is another fine example of the excellent management and leadership which is prevalent in the Oxford Orphanage family.

The continued success of St. John's Day on the campus is a tribute to the work and organization of the administration and Brother Lloyd Young. The attendance at the June, 1991, event counted over 15,000, Masons, their families and friends in attendance who enjoyed wonderful entertainment and a delicious luncheon meal. Those of you brethren who have not taken the opportunity to attend the events at St. John's Day are missing a wonderful occasion not only to view the Oxford Orphanage campus and physical facilities, but also to mix with the children and other staff members and experience the love and warmth which is prevalent on campus. It is obvious to anyone who can observe that the care and concern for the children is utmost in the thinking and work of the Superintendent and his staff.

The Committee encourages every Master Mason in this Grand Jurisdiction to visit the Oxford Orphanage campus and to view firsthand the very fine and impressive facility which the Masons of North Carolina have provided. As presently occupied, our facility can accommodate approximately seventy-five more children, and the craft should always be alert to encourage and recommend additional children for the orphanage.

It was a distinct pleasure to serve on the Committee, and we enjoyed the very warm hospitality of Brother Grissom and his staff. We are very thankful and appreciative for this opportunity to serve.

Respectfully submitted,
CLIFTON W. EVERETT, JR., *Chairman*
CHARLES T. ROBERTSON
W. TAYLOR SLYE
A. LEE POTTER
LACY H. THORNBURG

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

(Docket No. 15)

The following Resolution of the Committee on Finance was read and unanimously adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

RESOLVED, That the report of the Committee on Finance shall be the first order of business at the morning session of the Grand Lodge held on Wednesday, April 22, 1992, and,

RESOLVED further, That all resolutions, motions and reports asking for or carrying appropriations and expenditures not included in the proposed budget, shall be placed before the Grand Lodge before 4:00 P. M. on Tuesday, April 21, 1992, and,

RESOLVED further, That all such matters offered after 4:00 P. M. on Tuesday, April 21, 1992, be carried over to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in 1993.

Respectfully submitted,
LESLIE H. GARNER, *Chairman*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(Docket No. 16)

The following Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Amend Regulation 32-06 (2) to read as follows:

REG. 32-06. Each District Deputy Grand Master shall render to the Grand Master before December tenth of each year an itemized account of the **actual** and necessary travel expense incurred by him in the performance of his duties; **the amount for mileage shall be determined by the Committee on Finance and approved by the Board of General Purposes.** The Grand Master may order the same to be paid from the funds of the Grand Lodge, if such expense has been incurred in the performance of routine duty, but not for more than two official visits to each lodge in his district during a calendar year. If the expense has been incurred for a special duty, the Grand Master may order the lodge or the Grand Lodge to pay it.

Amend Regulation 35-08 (2) to read as follows:

REG. 35-08 (2). To appoint from the Certified Lecturers, upon nomination by the Grand Lecturer, such District Deputy Grand Lecturers as the board may deem necessary; provided a District Deputy Grand Lecturer shall not become a member or an officer of the Grand Lodge by virtue of his appointment hereunder, and provided, no appointment shall extend beyond the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge. No such District Deputy Grand Lecturer shall be installed or compensated for his services as such; but his actual and necessary travel expense, shall be paid by the Grand Lodge when approved by the Grand Lecturer; **the amount of mileage shall be determined by the Committtee on Finance and approved by the Board of General Purposes;** but he shall not be reimbursed for more than two visits to each lodge in his district during a calendar year. Before December tenth each year each District Deputy Grand Lecturer shall file an itemized account of such expense with the Grand Lecturer for his approval, and if approved by the Grand Lecturer shall file the same with the Grand Secretary before December twentieth.

Amend Regulation 94-01 (1) to read as follows:

REGULATION 94-01.

1. OBSOLETE.

Amend Regulation 54-01 (1) to read as follows:

The sum of eight dollars and fifty cents for each member of the lodge at low twelve on December thirty-first. (2-06(5); 4-04; 5-01 (1); 24-01 (3); 24-02; 89-01).

Fifty cents of this proposed increase to be effective for the 1992 Annual Return, payable in January 1993 and the other fifty cents to be effective for the 1993 Annual Return, payable in January 1994.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANCIS McMORDIE
Chairman

(Note: For action taken on these amendments, See Docket No. 39 on page 110 of these Proceedings.)

REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION

(Docket No. 17)

The following report was received and entered on the record. The recommendation that the Grand Lodge continue its membership in MSA was adopted and the matter of finances was referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your representative attended the 73rd Annual Meeting of The Masonic Service Association held in the Hyatt-Regency Hotel, Crystal City, Alexandria, Virginia, on Tuesday, February 18, 1992, at 1:00 p.m. Most Worshipful Brother Archibald Duncan, P.G.M. (NM), Chairman of the Executive Commission, presided. The invocation was given by Most Worshipful Jim Moseley, P.G.M. (GA).

Most Worshipful Richard E. Fletcher, P.G.M. (VT), Executive Secretary-Treasurer, summarized matters from the reports presented by the various committees, including the following:

The Association is pleased to welcome into membership the Grand Lodges of Hawaii and Texas. All the Grand Jurisdictions of the United States are now members of the MSA.

There were no calls made for disaster relief in 1991. The appeal on behalf of the Grand Lodge of the Phillipines commenced in 1990 was concluded with total contributions of $26,500 being sent to the Grand Lodge of the Phillipines.

The Association again published 12 Short-Talk Bulletins during the year. There are now 828 Short-Talk Bulletins available. In addition, more than 60 Short-Talk Bulletins from previous years were reprinted, two new digests were printed (The MSA Annual Report and Masonic Philanthropies) and five digests were reprinted (What is Freemasonry; Pocket Masonic Dictionary; Pocket Encyclopedia; Bible Quotations for Masonic Speakers; Language; and Landmarks). All publications by MSA are available from the MSA for a nominal price.

Perhaps the most important activity of the MSA is the Hospital Visitation Program. This program involves numerous volunteers and "has touched the lives of countless thousands of Masons and non-Masons alike. It grows and prospers on the basis of the philosophy of helping, aiding, and assisting anyone who is in need of a helping hand and a word of encouragement. It is amazing how much is accomplished, year in and year out, with such a small percentage of our membership active or financially supportive of our everyday service to others. And to think, less than one percent of our membership is aware of the overall programs available through our headquarters in Silver Spring, Maryland." (Quotation from Hospital Visitation Annual Report).

It is with sadness the Association reports the death of ten of the volunteer hospital field agents during the past year. These individuals have given countless hours in volunteer service at their respective hospitals. Included in this list was Brother Danny Thomas, who served as National Representative, and gave unselfishly of his time and national stature to help promote the charitable work of the MSA.

Most Worshipful Archibald Duncan, Chairman of the Executive Commission, advised the Association it would be necessary for him to resign because of health reasons. Most Worshipful Brother A. Harold Small, P.G.M. (MT), was elected as Chairman of the Executive Commission, and Most Worshipful Archibald Duncan was elected as Chairman Emeritus of the Executive Commission.

The Chairman then recognized Most Worshipful Hugh Black, Grand Master of American-Canadian Grand Lodge of Germany, who reported he had lived

there for 12 years and that there were four lodges in Saudi Arabia. He told of the support of the Desert Storm troops by the Freemasons in Saudi Arabia and said their motto was "Do as much as you can for as many as you can for as long as you can." Most Worshipful Black returned to the Grand Lodge of Iowa the banner which had been sent to Saudi Arabia in support of the troops, together with a plaque signed by most of the Masons in Saudi Arabia expressing their appreciation for the support they had received.

The Chairman next recognized the South Carolina delegation to the meeting who presented Senator Strom Thurmond (a Master Mason for 67 years) who gave some brief remarks with emphasis on volunteerism and its importance to society. He urged everyone to get involved. He particularly expressed appreciation for the many hours of volunteer service given by the MSA volunteers in connection with the VA Hospital Visitation Program and spoke of the tremendous help this was to the hospital staff.

Senator Thurmond then recognized and presented to Most Worshipful Brother Hubert W. Cocklin, G.M. (AZ), a certificate of appreciation for his volunteer work.

The next meeting of the Association will be held in Hot Springs, Arkansas in conjunction with the Grand Masters' Conference in February 1993.

I make the following recommendations:

1. That we continue our membership in the Masonic Service Association.

2. That we inform all Masons in our Grand Jurisdiction through *The North Carolina Mason* of the availability of the educational materials to Masons through the Masonic Service Association and that they be encouraged to subscribe to the Short-Talk Bulletins.

3. That the Grand Master continue to schedule visits to the VA Medical Centers located in Asheville, Salisbury, Durham, and Fayetteville, and that other Grand Lodge Officers accompany him on these visits when their schedules permit.

4. That we continue our usual contribution to the Masonic Service Association and that we increase this contribution should additional funds be available.

Respectfully submitted,
JERRY G. TART, P.G.M.
Representative

REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

(Docket No. 18)

The following report was received and entered on the record. The recommendation that the Grand Lodge continue its membership was adopted, and the matter of finances referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your representative attended the Annual Communication of The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association held at the Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia on February 17, 1992, at 1:00 p.m. This was the 60th Annual Communication since the dedication of the Memorial in 1932.

The meeting was called to order by Most Worshipful Charles Brigman, P.G.M. (Ohio). Following the invocation, Most Worshipful Brigman reported that acting on a suggestion made by Illustrious Francis Paul, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Jurisdiction,

the members of Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, A.F. & A.M. had arranged for prints to be made of the Williams portrait of George Washington, which is presently on display in the Memorial. This is the only portrait of George Washington in which he actually posed in his Masonic regalia. One thousand copies of the print have been produced and are available from the Memorial at a cost of $100 each plus shipping. The proceeds from the sale of this print will be divided one-half between the Memorial and one-half to Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22. (It should be noted that Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22 has its lodge room in the Memorial and makes a very substantial contribution to the operation of the Memorial each year.) In token of their appreciation for the suggestion from Illustrious Francis Paul, the first copy of the new print, framed in a reproduction of the original frame, was presented to him.

Most Worshipful Brother Brigman reported the following items to those assembled:

1. There are a number of special events planned during the year which will occur at the Memorial or in the Alexandria and Washington area to honor the 260th anniversary of George Washington's birth.

2. The curator of the museum, Brother Patrick, has resigned to accept a position with the Museum of the Grand Lodge of England.

3. The financial position of the Memorial is somewhat precarious in that the income from the permanent endowment fund is insufficient to meet the operating needs of the Memorial, and the Memorial is dependent upon contributions from the various Grand Lodges of the United States and individuals for its operating expense. In recent years, it has been necessary to delay or defer needed repairs and some maintenance due to a lack of necessary funds. This is becoming a more serious problem as the Memorial becomes older. It was completed in 1932, and is now 60 years old, with some portions which were constructed earlier being in excess of 70 years old.

4. During the past year, the Grand Lodge of New Jersey raised sufficient funds by a one-time, one-dollar per member assessment on its members to restore the "Moller" organ and to create a special fund for the future maintenance of the organ. The restoration cost was approximately $35,000.

5. The Memorial is continuing to solicit contributions to defray the cost of restoring the windows in the museum. These new windows have special glass which will divert the harmful sunlight rays and thus extend the life of the items in the museum. Several Scottish Rite Bodies have sponsored windows. Any group desiring to make a contribution to the Memorial in this fashion is urged to do so and appropriate recognition will be given. The cost is $7,500 each. There are 42 windows in the museum.

Most Worshipful Brother Brigman then reported that following a proposed amendment to the bylaws being submitted at the last annual meeting, the directors had caused the bylaws to be updated to consolidate in a single document all amendments which had been approved to the original bylaws and had further incorporated the proposed amendment made at the last meeting together with some additional changes which would clarify some areas of the prior bylaws. Copies of the proposed new bylaws had been provided to each Grand Master attending the annual meeting. Upon motion being duly made and seconded, the new bylaws were unanimously adopted.

Worshipful Brother Michael J. McLaughlin, Jr., Executive Secretary-Treasurer, was recognized and reported on the following:

1. There was a most pressing need for additional funding for the Memorial, and he particularly urged the eight Grand Jurisdictions who do not do so (North Carolina is among this eight) to participate in the program whereby each initiate contributes $5.00 to the Memorial. He pointed out that in most Grand Jurisdictions this is included as part of the initiation fee which is collected from the candidate and remitted through the Grand Lodge to The George Washington

Masonic National Memorial Association. Thus, it does not require any expenditure of Grand Lodge funds to make this contribution.

2. During the year, the lodge room has been restored, the organ repaired, and some new carpeting has been installed.

3. There is a very serious need to improve the air conditioning for the auditorium and the dining room.

4. The Memorial is a national resource and treasure, and we must continue our efforts to preserve it.

5. The Memorial is continuing its program of permitting community cultural activities to be held in the auditorium, and there has been a very positive response from the surrounding community. These activities have included concerts, a high school wind ensemble program, and programs by the Performing Arts Society.

6. The Memorial had between 40,000 and 50,000 visitors last year. It was estimated that only 10-15% of these visitors were Masons. All persons who have not seen the Memorial are encouraged to visit the Memorial and to bring family members and friends with them.

The next meeting of the Association will be held in Hot Springs, Arkansas (in conjunction with the Grand Masters' Conference) in February 1993.

I make the following recommendations:

1. That we continue our membership in The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

2. That the Grand Lodge of North Carolina adopt and participate in the program (as adopted by 42 other Grand Jurisdictions) whereby each candidate for the degrees of Freemasonry contributes as a part of the initiation fee the sum of $5.00 as a contribution to The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, said sum to be remitted to the Grand Secretary, who in turn shall remit same to the Association.

3. That this Grand Jurisdiction encourage lodges and individual members through appropriate articles in *The North Carolina Mason* to visit and to support financially The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

4. That the Grand Lodge of North Carolina continue its support to the Association, and should funds become available that the contribution be increased.

Respectfully submitted,
JERRY G. TART, P.G.M.
Representative

NOTICE OF APPEAL

W.B.C., SR. NO. 1

(Docket No. 19)

The Notice of Appeal of W.B.C., Sr. from the decision of the Judge Advocate was read, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Appeals.

(Note: This appeal denied. See Report of the Committee on Appeals on Page 119, Docket No. 44 of these Proceedings for action taken thereon.)

NOTICE OF APPEAL

W.B.C., SR. NO. 2

(Docket No. 20)

The Notice of Appeal of W.B.C., Sr. from the decision of the

Judge Advocate was read, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Appeals.

(Note: This appeal denied. See Report of the Committee on Appeals on Page 119, Docket No. 44 of these Proceedings for action taken thereon.)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MASONIC FOUNDATION, INC.

(Docket No. 21)

The following report of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc. was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., respectfully presents the following balance sheet and statement of revenue, expense and changes in fund balances for which the Foundation is custodian.

At a regular meeting of the Board, the following officers were elected: Brother, Sam A. Hennis, Jr., President; Brother Charles E. Scott, Vice-President; and Brother W. David Ford, Secretary and Treasurer.

Monthly meetings are held by the Board and the investment portfolio and objectives of the Foundation are reviewed in detail. The investment policy of the Board continues to be safety of principal first and income production second. With this conservative approach the Board was still able to divide $347,320.22 between the Orphanage and Home during 1991.

We are grateful to all who have been a part of the success of the Foundation and would like to solicit from those who have not contributed to please do so as we feel that your Masonic Foundation will ultimately be the salvation for our two homes.

Respectfully submitted,
SAM A. HENNIS, JR., *President*
CHARLES E. SCOTT, JR., *Vice-President*
W. DAVID FORD, *Secretary-Treasurer*
DAVID B. WILSON, *Director*
JAMES R. GOODMAN, *Director*

THE NORTH CAROLINA MASONIC FOUNDATION, INC.
BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1991

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalent	1,459,169.18
Securities at Cost	4,827,349.85
Total Assets	6,286,519.03

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance	6,286,519.03
Revenue and Support	
Interest and Dividends	352,704.13
Contributions	70,764.47
Total Revenue and Support	423,468.60
Expense and Distribution to Beneficiaries	
Management & General Expense	5,383.91
Distribution to Beneficiaries	347,320.22
Total	352,704.13
Excess of Revenue & Support over expense & Distribution before security gains	70,764.47
Net gain from sale of securities	454,992.44
Excess for year	525,756.91
Fund balance beginning of year	5,760,762.12
Fund balance end of year	6,286,519.03

REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT

(Docket No. 22)

The following report of the Fraternal Correspondent was received and entered on the record, and adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

We have received formal request from the Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia, The Grand Lodge of Hungary, and The Grand Lodge of Yugoslavia, for fraternal recognition.

The Commission on Information for Recognition has investigated the formation of these three Grand Lodges and have recommended that fraternal recognition be extended these three new Grand Lodges.

Your Committee has considered these requests and are of the opinion that recognition should be extended by our Grand Lodge to these three Grand Lodges.

Your Committee, therefore, recommends that the Grand Lodge of North Carolina extend formal recognition to The Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia, The Grand Lodge of Hungary, and The Grand Lodge of Yugoslavia.

Respectfully submitted,
D . GRAY THOMAS
Fraternal Correspondent

REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

(Docket No. 23)

The following report of the Grand Historian was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

In the years immediately following the Civil War, a number of North Carolina lodges either operated schools in their lodge halls or permitted others to use their halls for that purpose. Schools in lodge halls continued until war-torn communities were able to re-establish their schools and other facilities. These lodge hall schools were operated with permission from the Grand Lodge and records of them may be found in the annual *Proceedings* for the years involved. During all the years lodge halls have existed, they have served their respective communities in many ways, particularly in *rural areas.*

Old lodge halls in North Carolina were traditionally two-storied structures with an "A" roof. They were often so nearly alike that one could point them out even in communities never before visited. Even today, it is possible to recognize an old building as once having been a lodge hall, because of its style of architecture and because an imprint is visible where the masonic emblem once rested on an outer wall. These former lodge halls are now being used for storage purposes and the like, or are simply abandoned and falling apart.

The upper floors of these old halls were lodge rooms and the lower floors saw a variety of uses. They were dining rooms, or schools, or the only available facilities for public gatherings. A church congregation that had lost its sanctuary to fire might use a lodge hall's lower floor for its services during an indefinite period. Weddings and receptions were often held in those old lower floors, as were family reunions, funerals, and so on.

(Some lodges today maintain that old and laudable custom of making their facilities available to the public for appropriate uses.)

The old two-story lodge halls are now rapidly disappearing from the scene. Lodges are finding it necessary or desirable to construct new halls, usually one-story, and most lodges have not the means to then continue maintaining their old

halls as reminders of a glorious past, however much they may wish to.

In recent years, three of the old lodge halls still in use have been featured in *The North Carolina Mason*: the hall of Royal White Heart Lodge No. 2 at Halifax; the hall of Franklin Lodge No. 109, at Beaufort; and the hall of Columbus Lodge No. 102, at Pittsboro. Additional such features will likely follow. A Mason can establish a solid rapport with his Masonic forebears by visiting one of these old lodge halls, by sitting where masons met well more than a century ago and still meet today. Sit there and visualize some faithful brothers lugging wood or coal up the stairs in order to heat the room. You can almost hear the sounds of the horses and mules tethered in the yard outside. Consider the vast difference in today's electric lighting compared with the flickering oil lamps and other primitive means of illumination our ancient brethren used.

Yet, we know that our candidates for the degrees in ages past knelt at Masonry's altar just as they do today; they assumed the same obligations to each other and to all mankind that we assume; the Holy Bible on that altar was the same source of Great Light it remains today. Though Masonry moved from the high hills and low dells to the taverns and the private homes, then to its own buildings, and then to ever newer and more modern structures, it has remained a unique dispenser of light and truth that has beckoned men of all ranks and persuasions during century after century, after century.

Respectfully submitted,
REYNOLD S. DAVENPORT
Grand Historian

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION THE NORTH CAROLINA MASON

(Docket No. 24)

The following report of the Board of Publication of The North Carolina Mason was received and entered on the record. Upon motion, the Resolution re: Reynold S. Davenport was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The past year has been an eventful one for The North Carolina Mason and the Board of Publication. Numerous changes have taken place and these changes have been addressed as the Board met periodically during 1991-92.

Brother Bill Fulmer retired in April, 1991, after twenty-one years on the Board. Bill was chairman for seventeen of those years and his retirement, though well-deserved, left a void that was difficult to fill. The Board of Publication expresses it sincere appreciation to Bill for his many years of tireless labor on behalf of The North Carolina Mason.

Brother Reynold Davenport retired in August, 1991, after over fourteen years of distinguished service as Editor of The North Carolina Mason. Reynold and his camera could be seen anywhere that Masons gathered as he collected news and pictures that would make up the next issue. Thanks to his love for the paper, his natural talents as a journalist, and his quick wit, we were informed and entertained, and for that we are most grateful.

Reynold's retirement led the Board on a search for a new editor. Brother Ric Carter, a staff member of the Pulitzer Prize winning Washington Daily News, put out his first issue of the paper in November, 1991. In addition to his duties as Editor, Ric is also serving as Master of his lodge this year. Ric is a very talented professional, and we believe that the paper has already reflected his outstanding capabilities.

The paper became a semi-monthly publication in 1991 following action of the Grand Lodge at the Annual Communication. This drastic step was taken as a

cost-saving measure to provide relief to a strained Grand Lodge budget.

The Board received two new members in 1991, Brothers Carroll Simmons and Reynold Davenport. Vice Chairman Walter Klein left the Board in December, 1991, upon retiring and moving to another state. Brother Simmons was elected Vice Chairman at the January 10, 1992, meeting. Although Brother Reynold thought that he was going into retirement, he soon found that this was not to be. The Board is pleased to have these two outstanding Masons as members.

At its April 20, 1992, meeting, the Board of Publication unanimously adopted the following resolution honoring Brother Reynold Davenport for his many years of unselfish devotion to The North Carolina Mason:

We recommend the Grand Lodge adopt the resolution.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Worshipful Reynold S. Davenport, member and Past Master of Semper Fidelis Lodge No. 680, and Masters Lodge 754, has served over fourteen years as Editor of The North Carolina Mason, and

WHEREAS, he has persevered in the faithful performance of his duties with enthusiasm, humility and good humor, and

WHEREAS, he has been committed to the tenet that The North Carolina Mason is the singular instrument through which the body of Freemasons in North Carolina can be kept informed of events, decisions, and the philosophical reflections and charitable undertakings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, he has steadfastly held to this tenet, continually seeking ways to improve the journalistic quality of this vital medium to better serve the diverse interests of the Craft;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, in appreciation for his years of distinguished and faithful service to Freemasonry, hereby declares

Worshipful Reynold S. Davenport
Editor Emeritus
of The North Carolina Mason

Respectfully submitted,
DALTON W. MAYO
Chairman

REPORT OF THE CODE COMMISSION

(Docket No. 25)

The following report of the Code Commission was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Several proposals to amend THE CODE of 1948 as revised and amended in 1977 has been received since the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, which we submit herewith:

Amend Regulation 57-24 to read as follows:

REG. 57-24 An Entered Apprentice or a Fellow Craft whose lodge is defunct may petition the lodge in whose jurisdiction he resides, either within or without the state, for the remaining degree or degrees, stating in his petition the name, and location of his lodge when it was in existence and attaching to his petition the certificate of the Grand Lodge provided for in Regulation 57-09. Such petition shall take the same course as that of a profane for the degrees and **three black**

cubes shall be required to reject the petitioner. If the petitioner is elected to receive the remaining degree or degrees and to become a member of the lodge so electing him; then the status of the brother shall be the same as if he had received all of the degrees in such lodge. If he received the first or second degree in a lodge in this state which is defunct, and petitions another lodge in this state for advancement and membership, the fees therefore shall not exceed the amount chargeable as fees in the by-laws of the lodge to which he makes petition, less the charity tax and the initiation fee provided for in Chapter 54. However, if he received either the first or second degree in a lodge outside of this state, then he shall pay the entire fee stated in the by-laws of the lodge to which he make petition, and the lodge shall remit to the Grand Secretary the said charity tax and initiation fee. [44-23;54-01; 73-03; 81-10; 81-13; 82-08; 83.29].

Amend Regulation 73-03 to read as follows:

REG. 73-03 No petition for the degrees in Masonry shall be received except for the three Symbolic Degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason. [Chapter 76].

Amend Regulation 74-13 to read as follows:

REG. 74-13 OBSOLETE.

Amend Regulation 76-04 (5) to read as follows:

REG. 76-04 (5) When all have voted, the Senior Deacon shall exhibit the ballot first to the Junior Warden, then to the Senior Warden, and finally to the Master. If the Master finds that the ballot is clear, or that there is not more than **two black cubes**, he shall ask the Wardens how they find the ballot; and not until then shall he proclaim the result.

Amend Regulation 76-04 (6) to read as follows:

REG. 76-04 (6) In case only **three black cubes** appear, the Master shall not then declare the result; but immediately at the same communication order a reballot without discussion on the part of the members or any intervening act or business; the result of the reballot shall be declared, and it shall be final except as provided in Regulation 76-16. [60-08; 71-04; 76-19; 76-20; 91-01 (17)]

Amend Regulation 76-04 (8) to read as follows:

REG. 76-04 (8) In any secret ballot *white balls* are *affirmative* and *black cubes* are *negative* votes. [47-07; 73-03; 74-13; 76-27; 83-17]

A. **Three or more black cubes rejects a petitioner or applicant.**

Amend Regulation 74-13 to read as follows:

REG. 76-27. OBSOLETE.

Respectfully submitted,
LOUIS W. SHRIER, *Chairman*
Michael T. Prince
William G. Mathis

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LODGE SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

(Docket No. 26)

The following report of the Committee on Subordinate Lodge Special Activities was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Subordinate Lodge Special Activities Committee is pleased to submit the following report of its activities for the Grand Lodge year 1991-92.

The committee is of the impression and operates on the premise that the privilege extended by the Grand Lodge in its passage of Reg. 95-48 was primarily intended for raising *extra* money for our Masonic Charities. The committee

further believes that the Grand Lodge in its wisdom, built in enough flexibility to allow lodges to raise some funds for emergent and urgent needs that could arise from time to time.

The committee has had several questions during the past regarding the number of projects that a lodge is permitted (by The Code) to conduct in the course of a year. Reg. 95-48 states (in part), that a lodge desiring to conduct fund-raising activities for Masonic Charity may do so if *the* activity is conducted no more than semi-annually. In that THE CODE says *"the"* activity, The Subordinate Lodge Special Activities Committee is of the opinion that THE CODE is referring to a specific project being conducted no more than twice each year. The committee therefore feels that THE CODE does not say that a lodge can't conduct more than two projects of any kind during a given year, but that a lodge can't conduct the same project more than twice per year.

Two distinct trends have become apparent to the committee in its work with the various fund raising project requests brought before it.

One trend or tendency is that some lodges feel that they do not have to have solicitations for the Masonic Charities from their membership, thereby leaving the supposition that all funds donated to Charity be raised from a project.

It has also become apparent, based on the number of projects being requested for the benefit of lodges, that a substantial number of lodges are too dependent on funds raised from projects to meet their financial obligations. It is understandable that there are always going to be urgent and emergent circumstances which, due to their completely unexpected and in some cases unpreventable nature, will necessitate raising funds from projects. It is further understandable that some lodges (either old or new lodges) who are trying to build a building, may need funds raised from projects. What is not so understandable is that there is a fairly significant number of lodges who do not maintain a reserve fund or any other financial plan to meet an unexpected emergency. These are the lodges referred to above as "too dependent on funds raised from projects".

The committee has even experienced one lodge requesting a project to meet their normal and regular operating expense, submitting financial evidence that the lodge was incapable of paying its bills without the benefit of a project. In its investigation of the matter the committee found that the lodge had paid its secretary and treasurer an amount in excess of what they could possibly hope to raise from the project requested, an amount which would more than paid the bill which the lodge could not pay.

During the 1991-92 Grand Lodge year, the committee, by one of its decisions, brought itself to the attention of the Grand Master who was thereby caused to counsel the committee on its inappropriate action and suggest to them alternative means of handling the same or similar, situations in the future. The committee appreciates the input of the Grand Master and will endeavor to improve its performance by making use of his advice.

Also during the 1991-92 Grand Lodge year, a Lodge raised the issue to the Grand Master, that the committee was not being uniform to all lodges, in its decisions regarding fund raising projects for the benefit of lodges. The subject lodge gave examples which it felt would support its position on the subject. The Grand Master conducted an investigation into this matter and concluded that the committee had not performed in an arbitrary manner, and that the committee had shown no favoritism or partiality. The Grand Master informed the Lodge which raised the issue to his attention, that he had investigated the matter, and advised them of his findings.

Members of the committee have met in person, with representatives of various lodges, and with District Deputy Grand Masters, from all across the state, and have communicated by mail and telephone in an effort to help lodges better understand and appreciate the privileges extended to them in Reg. 95-48,and how to correctly utilize the provisions of THE CODE. The committee feels that there has been, and is, a steadily improving level of knowledge regarding

these subject privileges and the benefit that can be received from a properly conducted fund raising project.

The committee feels that there is a tremendous potential available to lodges which is not being properly utilized, because there are still lodges in the state which have not used this tool to raise additional money for our charities. The committee sincerely hopes that in the future more lodges will make better use of these provisions, and that in so doing will raise substantial extra money for our Masonic Charities. The committee is at the service to all of the subordinate lodges in the state in regards to their fund raising efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWIN L. BECTON, *Chairman*
WILLIAM T. COPE
L. DAVID MOSER

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC PUBLIC RELATIONS

(Docket No. 27)

The following report of the Commttee on Masonic Public Relations was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Masonic Public Relations was made a permanent committee of the Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication in April, 1991. Having functioned as a special committee prior to that time the committee has continued its work in developing and implementing programs designed to increase public awareness of Freemasonry and through appropriate methods, inform the public of the good effects and purposes of the Masonic fraternity.

The committee has had published and is distributing 50,000 copies of the brochure entitled, " The Real Secret of Freemasonry-Making Good Men Better". These brochures are being distributed to Grand Lodge Officers, members of the Grand Lodge, boards, committees, commissions and District Deputy Grand Masters as well as to the Masters and Secretaries of the subordinate lodges. Additionally, the brochure has been made available in quantities to the appendant bodies: the York Rite, Scottish Rite and the Shrine for use in membership and other special programs. This handsome brochure is in color and provides an excellent means of informing the profane about the Masonic fraternity. 'This brochure is available at the Grand Lodge office. Your Committee on Masonic Public Relations invites and urges the leadership of the subordinate lodges to make use of the brochure in every appropriate way.

Also, printed instructions have been developed and are available for lodges wishing to hold Open House Programs where members of the public are invited into the lodge for a special program presented by the lodge. The promotion of the Open House Program will be a major part of the work of the Masonic Public Relations Committee during 1992.

The Committee also plans to have printed and distributed pocket size cards on the subject " What can I tell a Non-Mason about Masonry."

The Committee invites and welcomes comments and suggestions on Masonic Public Relations from the members of the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction. We as a committee are dedicated to sharing the beautiful message of Freemasonry with a world that needs it so badly

Respectfully submitted,
L.R. "PETE" THOMAS,JR., *Chairman*
ROBERT C. KRAUS
JOSEPH K. TRANSOU
HUGH A. HILTON

REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER'S COMMITTEE ON DEMOLAY

(Docket No. 28)

The following report of the Grand Master's Committee on DeMolay was received and entered on the record. The Resolution re: Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Youth Organizations was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

This past Masonic year, 1991-1992, was very upbeat for DeMolay in North Carolina. Currently, we have 14 active chapters in the North Carolina Association, which includes two new chapters in Burgaw and Wendell and two reactivated chapters in Gastonia and Greensboro. There have also been several inquiries for starting new chapters in Chapel Hill, Hayesville, Kannapolis, Pinehurst, Rolesville, Siler City, Sylva, and Washington. Our membership is still growing with 51 young men initiated to the Order this year, down from the 74 of a year ago. During this year 52 advisors were also trained through the DeMolay Advisor Development (DAD) Program in five seminars held in Burgaw, Garner, Gastonia, Goldsboro, and Winston-Salem. This puts our Association well over 90% in advisor certification, as mandated by DeMolay International. This January also marked the beginning of the Youth Protection Program being presented to each chapter in the Association by a certified trainer. This International Supreme Council program has modules for our young men, as well as advisors, so they may all be instructed in recognizing problems and vices facing the youth of today, what advisors should look for and do to assist our youth, and how our organization is there to help. This year also, the Wilmington York Rite Bodies generously contributed, to the North Carolina Association, funds for the purchase of much needed audio-visual equipment, to be used to present the above mentioned programs, as well as to better educate our youth. To them, we are most appreciative and extend a sincere thanks.

DeMolays and DeMolay Chapters in North Carolina participated in numerous civic and Masonic service projects, both on a local level and state wide. Again this year, DeMolays, Rainbows, and Job's Daughters were volunteer escorts and Marshals for the State Games in Raleigh. They also rendered service to many Blue Lodges, Eastern Star Chapters, Scottish Rite and York Rite Bodies, and Shrine Temples, Clubs, and Units in many of their volunteer and fund raising activities. Annual visitations were also made to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home and Oxford Orphanage. At the 1991 Grand Lodge Session, the State Master Councilor for DeMolay presented a check to the Grand Master for the Home, the result of DeMolay fund raising for this Masonically sponsored area. Also this past June, North Carolina DeMolay held its Comradeship Weekend, three days of sports competition, banquet, and dance at the Orphanage. The fraternalism experienced between DeMolays, Rainbows, and Job's Daughters with the youth at the Orphanage was very rewarding and a great success, and officials with both organizations have agreed that this event will be held annually in the spring at Oxford. Our State Master Councilor attended and usually spoke at most major functions and meetings of the various Masonic organizations in North Carolina during his term. DeMolays and advisors attended many other DeMolay meetings and functions in other jurisdictions such as Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, New York, Virginia, and Washington, D.C.. The DeMolay year culminated in Charlotte with our annual Grand Master's Class, a weekend conclave and initiation in honor of the Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina. This year 11 young men received both degrees of DeMolay, with Most Worshipful Lester P. Martin observing.

The Grand Master's Committee on DeMolay met several times during the year, with two primary areas emphasized during discussions. The first involved

the Masons becoming more involved and supportive of DeMolay, both locally and at the Grand Lodge level. This support should be through sponsoring chapters, volunteering to be advisors, and funding to assist in establishing programs for our youth. The second was realized in September when the Committee requested the Grand Master to change the DeMolay Committee to the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Youth Organizations. This new committee would recognize and assist all present and any future Masonically sponsored Youth Organization on the Grand Lodge level. This was submitted to the Board of Custodians and approved. Prepared below is a formal resolution for presentation at this Grand Lodge Session to change the Code as it relates to this new committee.

RESOLUTION FOR THE GRAND LODGE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

Recognizing the high purposes, the record of accomplishment, the urgent need and necessity of well-founded and guided youth programs, and the potential value to this jurisdiction of all Masonically sponsored Youth Organizations, and believing that good works of this kind should be fostered and encouraged, now, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Grand Lodge declare as its Policy that subordinate lodges may and are encouraged to promote these Masonic Youth Organizations by providing local sponsorship, meeting places, and adult advisors, and to counsel the youth of this jurisdiction through these Masonically sponsored Youth Organizations.

The Grand Master, and his successors in office, shall appoint each year a committee of five (5), to be known as the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Youth Organizations. The chairman of this comittee, being named by the Grand Master, has the authority to appoint two (2) representatives from each Masonically sponsored Youth Organization, who will meet and consult with this committee, to positively promote and encourage these Youth Organizations, and coordinate, counsel with, and assist lodges to this end.

I respectfully submit this report and resolution to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina , on behalf of the DeMolay Committee as its Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,
TIMOTHY L. SHERMER
Chairman

RESOLUTION ON FUND RAISING

(Docket No. 29)

The following Resolution by the Board of General Purposes on fund raising was received, entered on the record, and carried over to the Wednesday morning session for discussion and vote:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of North Carolina:

WHEREAS, The Oxford Orphanage and The Masonic and Eastern Star Home are the pride of North Carolina Masonic Charities, and

WHEREAS, the financial position of these charities is in dire need of improvement, and

WHEREAS, a major portion of the income of these charities comes directly from voluntary contributions from the Masons of North Carolina and The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, and

WHEREAS, several Grand Masters in recent years have recommended a full time professional fund raiser be employed to coordinate the fund raising efforts of our Masonic charities and the North Carolina Foundation, and

WHEREAS, a committee appointed by Grand Master Lester P. Martin, Jr., composed of several knowledgeable members of our Craft, came to a similar conclusion, and

WHEREAS, a well known and experienced consultant in the field of fund raising, Mr. Edwin H. Story of Spartanburg, South Carolina, has made a study of our fund raising efforts and has recommended that we establish and promote a North Carolina Masonic Development Program to coordinate and assist in our charitable fund raising efforts, and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of such a program would be approximately $125,000 per year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of General Purposes be, and is hereby authorized to establish the North Carolina Masonic Development Program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the funds necessary to pay the operating cost shall be shared equally between The Oxford Orphanage, The Masonic and Eastern Star Home and The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of General Purposes shall make an annual report to this Grand Lodge as to the effectiveness of this program, and no later than the Annual Communication in 1997 shall recommend to this Grand Lodge whether the program should be continued on a permanent basis or terminate.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of General Purposes

(Note: This Resolution rejected by Grand Lodge. See Docket No. 46 on Page 122 of these Proceedings for action taken thereon.)

RESOLUTION RE: THE CODE

(Docket No. 30)

The following Resolution re; The Code was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of North Carolina:

WHEREAS, A special committee has been attempting to revise the Index to THE CODE, and

WHEREAS, in their work they have found many duplications of regulations, and

WHEREAS, some regulations have been found in chapters that are not related to those chapters, and

WHEREAS, it is believed that some regulations have been adopted to govern an isolated instance, thus causing confusion with other regulations, and

WHEREAS, there have been found many ambiguities,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Grand Lodge ORDER a complete revision of THE CODE as provided in Regulaton 11-02 of THE CODE, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Brother William L. Mills, III be named chairman of the said committee with Brother C. James Weisel and Brother G. Dick Pierce to serve on the said committee, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee attempt to have the revision completed, distributed, and ready for action by Grand Lodge to be held in April, 1994; but under no circumstance, shall this revision be carried beyond the Annual Communication in April, 1995.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of General Purposes

(Note: This Resolution rejected by Grand Lodge. See Report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, Docket No. 39, Page 110 of these Proceedings.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

(Docket No. 31)

The following report of the Committee on Masonic Research and Development was received and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Following meetings in June and September, 1991, your Grand Lodge Committee of Masonic Research and Development met on January 10, 1992 and made plans for suggested presentations in 1992.

The committee decided to have three presentations at six sites across the state on one date: Saturday, February 29, 1992, 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. This date was selected due to it being a fifth Saturday and leap year possibly avoiding schedule conflicts.

Following your suggestion the committee decided to address the "we-they" syndrome. The overall title of the sessions is "The Grand Lodge-Subordinate Lodge Relationship" divided into three topic areas:

(a) The structure of the relationship between Grand Lodge and Subordinate Lodges.

(b) Exercise of power by Subordinate Lodges at Grand Lodge.

(c) The Code, Constitution and Regulations and the Grand Lodge-Subordinate Lodge relationships.

Outlines in each area have b een prepared for presenters. The outlines are general in order for the presenter to develop the best approach to suit his method and style. Some homework will need to be done, but not much.

The committee is of the opinion that since the seminar sessions are concerned with the Grand Lodge-Subordinate Lodge relationship, Grand Lodge officers, past or present, should make the presentations. It is anticipated that Grand Lodge officers preside and serve as presenters of at least one of the topics at each location. The committee felt the Grand Lodge officer at each location could organize two additional presenters for the other topics.

Following is a suggested list of presenters and organizers for the six locations. Please be advised that evaluations of prior year's presentations reveal that the membership attending wanted presenters from other places rather than home grown. Therefore, the committee sought to create geographic variety with the proposed arrangement.

Asheville, Rick Moore; Fayetteville, Bill Simpson and Tom Gregory; Charlotte, Ray Norris; Winston-Salem, Bill Brunk; Greenville, Charles Ingram, Gerry Smith and Raleigh, Cliff Everett.

At the meeting of the Board of General Purposes on January 11th, the proposed presentations of the Masonic Research and Development Committee scheduled for February 29, 1992, were not approved for various reasons.

Fraternally submitted,
DONALD B. STREET, P.M., *Chairman*

PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE TO REYNOLD S. DAVENPORT

(Docket No. 32)

M.˙.W.˙.Brother Lester P. Martin, Jr., Grand Master, read a Resolution by the Board of Publication of *The North Carolina*

Mason making W.·. Brother Reynold S. Davenport *Editor Emeritus* of *The North Carolina Mason* . Brother Martin then presented Brother Davenport a Plaque bearing the wording of this Resolution.

(Note: See report of Board of Publication of *The North Carolina Mason* for this Resolution and adoption of same, Docket No. 24 Page 73 of these Proceedings).

CALLED FROM LABOR TO REFRESHMENT

The minutes were read by the Grand Secretary and approved. Prayer was offered by W.·. Brother B. Patrick Cox, Grand Chaplain, and the Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment until 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 1992, in Memorial Auditorium.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

M.·.W.·. Brother Lester P. Martin, Jr., Grand Master, called the Grand Lodge meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 1992.

W.·. Brother Richard Benton, District Deputy Grand Master of the Sixteenth Masonic District, introduced Frank Sibler, State Master Councilor, Order of DeMolay, who delivered the following address:

Most Worshipful Grand Master Martin, Deputy Grand Master Norris, Grand Lodge Officers, and members of the North Carolina Grand Lodge, good afternoon:

It is truly an honor and a privilege to be here today with this distinguished group of hardworking and dedicated Masons. I hope that I have the opportunity to talk with some of you personally while I am here.

It might interest you to know that our State Executive Officer, Dad E. John Elmore, is an active member of the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay and devotes a great deal of his personal time to both national and state activities. We both regret that he could not be here with us because of his attending the International DeMolay Executive Officers Conference in Detroit, Michigan where he will be going in as chairman today.

I would like to share with you some thoughts that I came across recently while attending the DeMolay Advisors Retreat in Williamsburg, Virginia last month. Glancing through a book that was on one of the shelves outside the chapter room, I came across an article regarding DeMolay that impressed me very much. The book was titled *The Old Past Master*, and was copywrite 1924. Even though it is almost 70 years old, its thoughts are still relevant today.

The author states, and I quote:

"There are many of us who think that Masonry doesn't need any juvenile branches. And there are others who say the lodge should not give to a boy's organization, because many of the members have no boys but do have girls . . . I have no son to enter such an Order, why should I support it? But they may have daughters. Then they are interested in having the young men of this town grow up to be good men, true men, square men. For some one of these young men is some day, probably to be a husband to that Masons daughter. And the better man he is, the happier she will be."

This is an excellent point, and one that we too often tend to overlook. For one young man may indeed affect the lives of many others, both directly and indirectly. That one individual can have a positive influence on the people around him, on the community, on his state, and on the nation is something that each one of you is familiar with in terms of what masonry is all about. *The Old Past Master* goes on to say. . .

"The order for boys is but a new way of making ready the stones for our building. Before there was such an Order, we took young men as we found them. We still so take them. But in addition, we have now an order which while it speaks no word which can be construed as an invitation, which says nothing to any boy which would make him think Masonry wanted anything of him, yet teaches him patriotism, love of country, love of public schools, love of Masonry, because of its unity, its charity, its brotherhood, and teaches him too, the lessons of help to a brother, of broad minded tolerance, and of sincere worship to a Supreme Being. No boy who has been a DeMolay will ever join a Masonic lodge without being better prepared to become a good Mason than the same boy would have been had he not been a DeMolay."

The author also states:

"I believe that most boys when they grow up to be men, will turn from the elaborate and spectacular degrees of the DeMolay Order to the more quiet, thoughtful and deeper degrees of Masonry with relief, and will throw themselves into them with greater enthusiasm, because of their training in lodge room etiquette, their experience of fraternalism, their education in ritual and brotherhood."

It is upon this theme that I would like to build on. For it really is as much about masonry as it is about DeMolay.

Let me take a few moments and position DeMolay for you. The Order of DeMolay is located in nine countries, including the United States, Canada, Brazil, Australia, Germany, Panama, Japan, Columbia, the Philippines, and interest in starting DeMolay has been expressed by leaders from countries such as Peru, Bolivia, Israel, India, Ireland, and Norway.

In the United States, there are about 1,000 active DeMolay chapters with a total membership of 37,000, and having an adult leadership work force of about 6,000.

There have been over 3 million young men to be initiated into the Order of DeMolay over the past seventy-three years.

Over thirty past Grand Masters of Grand Lodges are currently serving on the International Supreme Council.

In North Carolina today, there are fourteen active chapters with about 1,200 total members, including advisors.

The newest North Carolina chapter to be formed will be in Burgaw, and we have just recently had Letters Temporary received in the Wendell-Zebulon area for a new Eastern Wake Chapter. Greensboro and Gastonia chapters have just recently been reinstated. We have also received interest from other locations including New Bern, Salisbury, and Kannapolis.

And while we are talking about North Carolina DeMolay, it is fitting that we recognize the fine work of the following masons who have become actively committed during the past year to the DeMolay experience. Just one year ago they had no involvement with DeMolay, and now they are part of the DeMolay in their areas. Dads Richard Benton and Dale Fisher from Goldsboro, Dad David Grissom from Oxford, Dad Ron Hunter here in Raleigh, Dad Tim Grooms in Gastonia, Dad Frank Purdy in Burgaw, and Dad Shaver in Wendell.

Just as these individuals were not actively involved until recently with DeMolay, Dad Elmore and I would like to take this opportunity to involve you here today with the growth and support of North Carolina DeMolay.

Normally, in a speech like this I would address topics such as history of DeMolay, the seven cardinal principles upon which the Order is based, and the events that we participate in, but today I am going to give only a few brief comments on these things, so that we may deal with some other important issues.

DeMolay is an active group. Highlighting some of our more important statewide activities, let me mention the annual Grand Masters class. This is a weekend that is used to honor the North Carolina Masonic Grand Master. We have state officer elections, business meetings, a two degree initiation, dances, a banquet and other activities as well.

Coming up in May we will hold our Comradeship Weekend, devoted to sports competition. Another major event is Brotherhood Weekend, when we hold our ritual competition. On Fellowship and Awards Day we bestow the highest honors of the year, including Chevalier and Legion of Honor. Every year we make a visitation to the Oxford Orphanage and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. We also hold different activities which are decided by the state officers, such as volunteering at the North Carolina State Games, a deep sea fishing trip, a beach weekend, and leadership workshops.

In addition, some of the state officers participate in the regional convention in Atlanta and in two days I, along with some other state officers, will represent North Carolina DeMolay during the DeMolay Congress at the International Convention in Detroit, Michigan.

And this brings us to a topic of major interest to both Dad Elmore and myself. And that is . . . membership and growth. I would like to take this opportunity to ask for your support in building DeMolay in North Carolina. This should help not only DeMolay and its members, but also Masonry.

Dad Elmore and I have a challenge to you, the masons of North Carolina. Looking down the road at a five year long-range plan, if you as members and officers of the various lodges would pledge to us here today your production to North Carolina of 1,000 new DeMolay initiates, we will in turn pledge to you 500 new master masons within the same period of time from the same group.

These new masons may be the initiates themselves, family relatives such as fathers or brothers, or senior DeMolays that we get active in new chapters.

Do not consider this as an empty promise. In the Raleigh chapter we have some prime examples of this. My brother, Chaz Silber stood here two years ago as State Master Councilor. He went from a DeMolay to a Master Mason, and on to become a chapter advisor. Glenn Bogue is another Senior DeMolay who became a mason, and has been active as an advisor. Another contributor is Senior DeMolay Chuck Rouse who has just recently joined our Advisory Council.

Let me remind you that the DeMolay age bracket is thirteen through twenty-one, and it is not uncommon for a new DeMolay initiate to be within a year or two from becoming eligible to be a mason. With that I would like to reiterate something that Deputy Grand Master Norris stated when I last heard him speak. He explained, "The youth of today is looking for something." I believe he is correct and at least part of that something is DeMolay.

And that brings us to a very important issue. DeMolay needs advisors. Advisors attend meetings, provide encouragement and advice, serve as chaperones at parties and dances, coach athletics, help with statewide activities, coordinate awards programs, attend overnight functions, and must be REALLY good at eating pizza. In addition, they oversee and conduct ritual at the same altar that each of you obligated yourself to the masonic fraternity. Oftentimes advisors with other talents and abilities contribute in additional ways.

We want to solicit your help in assisting DeMolay to grow throughout North Carolina.

The Oxford Lodge, near the Orphanage, already has an active Rainbow

Assembly that was established about a year ago, and we are now trying to get the ball rolling for the formation of a DeMolay chapter at the Orphanage. We have seen that the success of DeMolay goes hand in hand with Rainbow or Jobs Daughters groups, as they complement each other.

We are actively looking for some of you here today to serve as advisors for the proposed chapter. Dad Grissom has already extended help in getting masonic sponsorship, but we need several advisors to get the chapter started. I also challenge the Master and officers of the Oxford Lodge to apply as soon as possible for the Letters Temporary to Dad Elmore. Additionally, we would like for any master mason to financially sponsor each of the initiates from the orphanage by paying their initiation fee. Most Illustrious Past Grand Master Jack Dossett has just assured me that this will be taken care of when we get it started. In my opinion, I would like to see you honor one of North Carolina DeMolays greatest supporters, the late Dr. Eddie Stiles, by naming the Oxford Chapter after him. My challenge is to obtain the advisors and financial support necessary to present the Letters Temporary for the Eddie Stiles Chapter on St. John's Day, this year.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Dad John Elmore or myself. If you do not know how to reach me, I will leave some of my cards.

I would like to thank Dad Richard Benton for that wonderful introduction and thank you once again for inviting me to speak before this Grand Lodge session.

In an effort to initiate my challenge on this 5-year membership program that I just spoke about, I would like to be the first DeMolay to ask for a Blue Lodge petition, Dad Norris, do you have one handy?

FRANK E. SILBER
State Master Councilor

R.˙.W.˙.Brother Ray Norris, Deputy Grand Master, presented Frank Silber, State Master Councilor, a Petition for the Degrees.

CALLED FROM REFRESHMENT TO LABOR

The Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 1992, in Memorial Auditorium, Raleigh, North Carolina, by M.˙.W.˙.Brother Lester P. Martin, Jr., Grand Master. Prayer was offered by W.˙.Brother B. Patrick Cox, Grand Chaplain.

LESTER POINDEXTER MARTIN, JR.
Grand Master, Presiding

REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER

(Docket No. 33)

Most Worshipful Brother Lester P. Martin,, Jr., Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, delivered the following report, which was referred to the Board of General Purposes. (See Page 96 Docket No. 34 of these Proceedings for distribution of this report.)

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

In 1892, Charles F. Bahnson, P.G.L., compiled *The North Carolina Lodge Manual* and presented it to the Grand Lodge.

One hundred years later, on April 22, 1992, his great grandson completes his year as Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina.

Grand Masters come and go, but those who instruct and teach the precepts of our gentle craft achieve a degree of immortality not shared by Grand Masters.

What Mason among us will not carry to his grave fond and distinguished memories of those who patiently taught him the Catechism of the Degrees?

What Mason is among us who has not been inspired and elevated in mind and spirit by a well-delivered lecture or by the ritual of a well-coached degree.

Since the memory of man runneth not to the contrary, our Masonic Ritual has made us what we are. Without it, we would be little more than a well-meaning civic club.

I am confident our Grand Lodge will survive another one hundred years— and more—as long as we continue to practice the precepts set forth in my Great-Grandfather's little black book.

Should, however, at some unforeseeable time in the distant future, western civilization, as we know it, sink beneath the primeval mud from whence it came, it could be my hope and prayer that three symbols of our culture and civilization would survive to inspire and instruct future civilizations: The Cross Of Calvary, The Scales Of Justice, And The Square And Compasses Of Masonry.

LET'S PRACTICE MASONRY

For two hundred and four years men of faith from all walks of life have served as Grand Master. For one brief year they have employed the talents they possessed to promote and preserve Masonry in our Grand Jurisdiction.

During this two hundred and fifth year as Grand Master, I have urged my brethren to "Let's Promote Masonry, Let's Preserve Masonry, but above all Let's Practice Masonry."

By practicing Masonry in our lodges and in our communities, we will automatically promote and preserve Masonry.

Where there is a strong Masonic presence, the quality of life is usually enhanced throughout the entire community.

This year, I have urged our lodges to participate in high-visibility, worthwhile community projects that are for the primary benefit of the community, not just fund raisers for our own charities.

THE DISTRICT MEETINGS

The highlight of my Masonic Year was not *one* highlight but *thirty-two.* That is the number of District Meetings I attended. They began on May 24 at Mint Hill Lodge No. 742 and ended September 5 at Seaside Lodge No.429. In between those dates, I visited Masons in every section of North Carolina, and those experiences made my year.

I was especially pleased with the attendance at the District Meetings and the spirit of good will and brotherly love that prevailed. Generally, combining two or more districts did not seem to affect the attendance. In fact, the brethren seemed to enjoy reviewing old friendships and visiting with infrequently seen brothers from other districts.

Ours is a divergent fraternity with many points of view and many approaches to the problems that beset us, but I detected no overriding divisions among us. The district meetings did, however, reaffirm what I have long perceived the "we-they" syndrome in describing the relationship between the craft and the Grand Lodge.

During my forty-five plus years as a Mason, I have observed Masonry on both sides of the "we-they" equation. Accordingly, I feel somewhat qualified to set forth some of the concerns I have experienced as both a "we" and as a "they".

GRAND LODGE FINANCES

During the District Meetings, I usually struck a responsive chord when I mentioned the Grand Master's efforts to save money.

This year the Grand Lodge has operated with a deficit budget. In order to balance our budget, we have relied on the contingency fund. Hopefully, this deficit financing will be remedied by last year's increase in the per capita tax.

Driving last year's car, eliminating most out-of-state trips, and cutting back on some of the expenses of this Annual Communication probably saved some money in this deficit year; but in the long run, the Finance Committee, and not the Grand Master will make the meaningful fiscal reforms.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Every new Grand Master wants to be assured of a smooth running Grand Lodge during his year as Grand Master. Being generally unfamiliar with the leadership potential throughout the state, he, for the most part fills key positions with experienced leaders of proven ability.

This practice assures a smooth running Grand Lodge but does little to develop new leadership.

I suggest the Grand Lodge give consideration to the creation of a Grand Lodge Nominating Committee to aid and assist the Grand Master and the Board of General Purposes in the appointment process. Such a committee would be able to keep a continuing eye on the development of future leadership talent throughout the jurisdiction.

THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Our Annual Communication is steeped in pageantry, protocol, tradition and custom which is very enjoyable and meaningful to many of our brethren; but to a great many more it is a long, drawn-out imposition on their time. Many lodge officers, whose attendance is mandatory, are required to make a personal sacrifice in order to attend. They must miss one or two days from their jobs, and sometimes they have to deal with unsympathetic employers and the loss of wages .

We could preserve our traditions and at the same time accommodate many of the delegates by moving our Annual Communication from the middle of the week to the weekend. A possible agenda could call for the Opening Session of the Grand Lodge on Friday afternoon and the concluding (and business) sessions to commence Saturday morning. All the other activities such as committee meetings, the Grand Master's dinner, and the installation of officers could be fitted around the Friday and Saturday sessions.

JOSEPH P. MONTFORT MEDALS

The Joseph P. Montfort Medal recipients for 1991-92 are all long-time lodge secretaries. This is no coincidence. In honoring the three Brothers in this special way, it is my intent to pay tribute to all 392 of our Lodge Secretaries throughout our Grand Jurisdiction, many of whom are equally deserving of the Joseph P. Montfort Award.

Where there is a strong Masonic Lodge in a community, there is usually a strong lodge secretary behind the scene. They are the backbone of Masonry in our Jurisdiction.

This year's three recipients of the Joseph P. Montfort Medals are:

W. Shields Jolly, Jr.—Secretary of Lee Lodge No. 253. Raised August 11, 1954. Scottish Rite. Shrine. Grand Lodge Committee on Charters & Dispensations, Past Master, P.D.D.G.M of 51st Masonic District. Coached candidates many years.

Albert Bennett Gobble—Secretary Lexington Lodge No.473. Raised April 16, 1964. Eastern Star. York Rite. Shriner, Scottish Rite 33. Grand Lodge Committee on Finance. Past Master. P.D.D.G.M. of 45th Masonic District.

Francis McMordie—Secretary of West Bend Lodge No.434. Raised February 5, 1954. York Rite, Scottish Rite. DeMolay, Eastern Star, Amaranth, White Shrine, Certified Lecturer, Past Master, P.D.D.G.L. of 48th District. Grand Lodge Committee on Unfinished Business.

HONORARY TITLE OF PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

I recommend that the Honorary title of Past District Deputy Grand Master be granted to the following brethren, each of whom is both qualified and eligible under the provisions of Regulation 12-05 of THE CODE.

NAME	LODGE	DISTRICT	YEARS SERVED	TOTAL YEARS
Alvin C. Basnight	171	2	1989-90-91	3
Elmore R Gray	698	3	1989-90-91	3
Johnny M. Smith	509	4	1989-90-91	3
Richard V. Hearne	725	7	1989-90-91	3
Sterling W. Gillikin, Jr.	4	11	1989-90-91	3
Alfred B. C. Dew	658	12	1989-90-91	3
Rex B. Card	123	22	1989-90-91	3
Kenneth R Jarman	683	23	1989-90-91	3
David G. Cronk	743	25	1989-90-91	3
Allen L. Bruner	584	26	1989-90-91	3
Billy D. Brady	403	31	1989-90-91	3
James H. Oakley	272	34	1989-90-91	3
Wilbur T. Boyte	129	35	1989-90-91	3
Max R Wood	732	37	1989-90-91	3
Clyde E. Bridges	692	40	1989-90-91	3
Theodore H. Morris	742	41	1989-90-91	3
Henry R Tucker	32	43	1989-90-91	3
Wayne Webb	265	48	1989-90-91	3
Jack S. Nixon	407	50	1989-90-91	3
A. L. Potter	27	52	1989-90-91	3
James V. Rhyne	713	54	1989-90-91	3
Dennis K. Mikeal	262	57	1989-90-91	3
Norris R. West	446	61	1989-90-91	3
Robert C. Kraus	145	64	1989-90-91	3

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

My two immediate predecessors, M.·.W.·.Bunn T. Phillips, Jr., P.G.M. and M.·.W.·.Jerry G. Tart, P.G.M., in their Annual Reports, recommended the Grand Lodge employ a full-time salaried individual to plan, direct, and coordinate our fund raising activities for the Home, the Orphanage, and the Masonic Foundation.

In complete agreement with their recommendations, I appointed a committee, chaired by W. Bill Simpson, J.G.D., to conduct an extensive study and make recommendations.

After exhaustive study, the committee filed its report with the Board of General Purposes on January 11, 1992, and after further study, the Board of General Purposes met on January 31, 1992, and employed a consultant to help set up a long range fund raising program for all our charities and to develop a job description for a full-time salaried individual to plan, direct and coordinate our fund raising activities.

When in place, such a program headed by the right person, can give continuity to our fund raising efforts instead of the present haphazard methods we now employ. Presently, each new Grand Master pursues his own agenda and emphasizes his own special charitable interests.

THE NORTH CAROLINA MASON

Our publication has undergone two changes this year. Instead of a monthly *The North Carolina Mason*, it now appears every other month and is twice the size of the monthly publication.

The second change involves a changing of the guard. After many years of devoted service to the craft, Reynold Davenport retired as Editor. The position has been filled by Ric Carter, a professional newspaper man from Washington, North Carolina. Reynold, of course, will be greatly missed, but Ric has moved in without a hitch in the operation.

AREA MEETINGS

For several years the Superintendents of the Oxford Orphanage and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home have conducted a series of joint area meetings to keep North Carolina Masons informed and to seek financial support for their respective institutions. The results have been mixed.

This year we tried a different approach. The Superintendent of the Oxford Orphanage endeavored to visit at least one lodge in the odd-numbered districts, and the Superintendent of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home visited a lodge in the even-numbered districts.

The District Deputy Grand Masters selected the host lodge, coordinated the meetings and invited representatives from other lodges in the district to attend.

Again the results were mixed. One positive feature, however, was the orientation period which each Superintendent sponsored at his institution, thus giving the District Deputy Grand Masters an opportunity to visit the campuses and see first hand how our charities are operated.

MASONIC & EASTERN STAR HOME

We Masons are at a financial crossroad in our support of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home in Greensboro. Our Home is in a "catch-22" situation. It needs to enlarge its care center and to get on with its efforts to raise two million dollars for that purpose; on the other hand, it is not receiving adequate support to maintain its present operation.

For several years the Directors of the Home, in lieu of adequate revenue from the Craft, have been forced to meet the annual budget requirements by diverting funds earmarked for the Endowment Fund of the Home. Some would call this practice deficit financing.

It does not, however, behoove the Grand Lodge to criticize one of its charities for engaging in deficit spending. This year the Grand Lodge itself is operating on a deficit budget, tapping its contingency fund to meet its operating expenses.

Hopefully, the increase in the per capita tax will remedy the Grand Lodge's financial problem; but solving the financial situation at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home is going to be more difficult.

A Grand Lodge Committee is now making a comprehensive study of the feasibility of developing an ongoing fundraising program for the support of our three charities: The Masonic Foundation, the Oxford Orphanage, and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

Such a continuing program, whether handled by a member of the Grand Lodge staff or by an outside professional organization, may be the long term solution to the financial plight of the Home. If not, I fear nothing short of an annual membership assessment will save our Home.

OXFORD ORPHANAGE

As a former Juvenile Court Judge, I am well aware that we Masons have the best child care facility in North Carolina at the Oxford Orphanage. I am also aware that practically every community in North Carolina has its share of abused, neglected, and dependent children who need to be at Oxford Orphanage.

As Grand Master of Masons, I am greatly concerned that, in spite of the children who need our services and could thrive at Oxford Orphanage, our orphanage is operating at about half capacity. Superintendent David Grissom tells me we could take care of 225 children and more if necessary. Our census on campus in recent months hovers around 150.

As long as we continue to operate under our present admission policies, I hope the most active committee in every lodge will be the Orphanage Committee. In addition, I hope every Mason will designate himself as a committee of one to see to it every neglected, abused or dependent child in his community is given an opportunity to go to the Oxford Orphanage.

Perhaps the most significant action taken by the Board of Directors this year was the creation of a Long Range Planning Committee under the Chairmanship of M.·.W.·. Bob Bass, P.G.M., to study the feasibility of establishing a retirement facility on the campus concurrent with the present child care facility.

This seems to be the trend many of our sister jurisdictions have taken in recent years. Such a study seems to be a logical course to pursue.

THE MASONIC FOUNDATION

We Masons believe there is "an immortal part within us that shall survive the grave and shall never, never die."*Bahnson's Manual,* page 78.

A charitable contribution to the North Carolina Foundation is a form of immortality because it is never expended. It is held in trust until we and our way of life "takes the wings of the morning and dwells in the uttermost parts of the earth." Only the interest it generates is distributed to our other two great charities—The Oxford Orphanage and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

What better way to honor the memory of a departed Brother Mason than

to memorialize his memory in perpetuity with a gift to the North Carolina Masonic Foundation?

CONFERENCE OF GRAND MASTERS OF MASONS IN NORTH AMERICA

My only out-of-state Masonic trip during the year was to attend the Conference of Grand Masters of North America in Washington, D.C.

Aided by M.·.W. ·.Jimmy Brewer, P.G.M., I presented to all Grand Masters in attendance a copy of the Grand Lodge publication: *"Sam Ervin, The Man and The Mason"*.

IN-STATE VISITATIONS

In addition to thirty-two District Meetings and twelve Quarterly Meetings of the Orphanage, Home, and Board of General Purposes, I participated in more than fifty Masonic activities throughout our Jurisdiction, a complete and itemized record of which is recorded in the minutes of the Board of General Purposes.

EMERGENT COMMUNICATION

One (1) Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was held during the past year. This Emergent Communication was for the purpose of dedicating the new Temple of Western Star Lodge No. 91.

PHYSICAL DISABILITIES

During the year, I was requested to approve waivers of physical disabilities for a number of petitioners for the degrees. In each case, the District Deputy Grand Master of the District in which the petition was received, made a personal investigation of the petitioner and reported to me. I wish to commend each of them for the prompt and efficient manner in which they handled these investigations. Based upon the reports and recommendations received, I approved the waiver of physical disability for twenty-five petitioners. Unfortunately, is was necessary to deny the waiver in one instance.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

At the time this report was being prepared, I had granted thirty-three dispensations. These dispensations had been granted to accomplish the following purposes:

Fifteen dispensations were granted to elect officers and fill lodge vacancies created by death, resignation or failure to elect in December.

Six dispensations were granted for visitation with subordinate lodges in other Grand Jurisdictions.

Three dispensations were granted for out-of-state visitations in our subordinate lodges.

Eight dispensations were granted to permit lodges to hold meetings other than at the regular meeting place.

One dispensation was granted for the lodge to hold communications while the Charter was being refurbished.

ONE STORY LODGE BUILDING

I approved the plans for Advance Lodge No. 710 to build a one story lodge building.

OFFICIAL OPINION NO. 1

I have before me your letter in regard to the examination of a candidate at an Emergent Communication.

You cited Regulation 51-13, 51-14 and Chapter 80 of THE CODE and the different interpretations of these regulations as causing problems in your lodge.

I would point out that Regulation 51-16(7) states that a lodge shall not transact any business not set forth in the call for such Emergent Communication.

It is, therefore, my OFFICIAL OPINION that a Master or a lodge cannot make a blanket statement at a Stated Communication that a candidate who becomes proficient on any catechism may be examined at any Emergent Communication.

Given under my hand and seal at Mocksville, North Carolina, this the 8th day of November, 1991.

ORDER NO. 1

I have before me Order No. 7 as it appears in the 1988 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge at page 141; it was entered by Most Worshipful Brother Eddie P. Stiles, Grand Master, based on his findings of irregularities in the "Internal Workings" of Fallston Lodge No. 356.

At the Annual Communication in 1989, on a resolution presented by Most Worshipful Brother Eddie P. Stiles, Past Grand Master, items No. 7 and 8 of his Order No. 7 were rescinded, which would terminate the probation and supervision of the lodge by the Lodge Service Commission.

Paragraph 3 of Most Worshipful Brother Eddie Stiles' Order reads as follows: "The following members are prohibited from holding office in any subordinate lodge of North Carolina for a period of five years from this date: Flay A. Willis, Patrick G. Powell and Robert M. Hoyle".

I have conducted an investigation and have found the irregularities in the internal workings of Fallston Lodge No. 356 no longer exist and harmony prevails. The investigation also re- vealed the splendid attitude of Brothers Willis, Powell and Hoyle, and in view of their conduct, I have determined that it is appropriate to terminate the conditions required in Item No. 3 of Order No. 7.

I, therefore, ORDER that Item No. 3 of Order No. 7 as recorded in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge for 1988 be rescinded.

This Order shall be read at the next stated communication of Fallston Lodge No. 356 following its receipt and made a part of the minutes of that stated communication.

Given under my hand and seal at Mocksville, North Carolina, this 17th day of May, 1991.

ORDER NO. 2

It has been brought to my attention by the Grand Secretary that Davie Lodge No. 39 held a stated communication on September 5, 1991, and balloted on the Petition for the Degrees of Paul Townsend Gaskins. The ballot was clear and Mr. Gaskins was declared elected to receive the degrees. However, it was later discovered that an Honorary Member of the lodge had voted.

Regulation 71-17 of The Code states that "No visiting brother shall vote in a lodge on any matter". Therefore, the ballot taken to elect Mr. Gaskins was ILLEGAL and is VOID under the clear and positive language of Regulation 71-17.

Since the Grand Master is empowered to order another ballot in cases of this kind, I hereby order a reballot and grant a dispensation to Davie Lodge No. 39 to ballot again on the Petition for the degrees of Paul Townsend Gaskins at the stated communication to be held on November 7, 1991.

This Order shall be read to the lodge at the stated communication to be held on November 7, 1991, entered on the minutes of that communication and a proper notation made on the margin of the minutes for September 5, 1991, referring to this Order and the date it was recorded in the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this eighteenth day of October, 1991.

ORDER NO. 3

It has been brought to my attention by the Grand Secretary that Potecasi Lodge No. 418 elected Brother Dennis Lyle Babb to membership without complying with the following provisions of Regulation 83-22 of The Code:

1. The Application for Affilliation was read at a stated communication on October 17, 1991, and the ballot to elect him was taken at the same stated communication, without holding the said application over for the required twenty-eight days and appointing a Committee of Investigation thereon.

2. The Application for Affilliation was not sent to the Grand Secretary for checking and recording and received by you duly certified by him before the ballot was taken to elect Brother Babb.

The ballot taken on October 17, 1991 to elect Brother Dennis Lyle Babb is clearly illegal under the positive language of Regulation 76-01 of The Code and is, therefore, NULL and VOID.

Since the Grand Master is empowered to order another ballot in cases of this kind, I hereby order a reballot to Potecasi Lodge No. 418 at the stated communication to be held on December 5, 1991. The Grand Secretary will make a record of this Application for Affilliation and place his certification thereon. After receipt of the Application for Affiliation, the Master shall appoint the proper Committee of Investigation thereon.

This Order shall be read to the lodge at the stated communication to be held on December 5, 1991, entered on the minutes of that communication and a proper notation made on the margin of the minutes for the stated communication on October 17, 1991, referring to this Order and the date it was recorded in the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal at Mocksville, North Carolina. this 20th day of November. 1991

ORDER NO. 4

It has been brought to my attention by the Grand Secretary that Relief Lodge No. 431 read the Petition for the Degrees of Samuel Braxton Herring on March 26, 1991 and subsequently elected him to receive the degrees on May 14, 1991. The action taken on this Petition for the Degrees was illegal for the following two reasons:

1. The Petition for the Degrees of Mr. Herring had not been sent to the Grand Secretary for checking and recording and received by you duly certified by him. This is a violation of Regulation 73-12, 73-13 and 76-01 of The Code.

2. The ballot to elect Mr. Herring was taken in less than the required twenty-eight days from the time the petition was read in the lodge. This is a direct violation of Regulation 76-01 of The Code.

Since Brother Herring is not responsible for this irregularity and he has received the first degree in due form, he is not at fault, nor can the degree be taken from him.

It is therefore Ordered that Samuel Braxton Herring's petition be certified by the Grand Secretary, with a proper notation on his certificate to explain the delay in certification. Also, that the status of this brother is in all respects that of an Entered Apprentice of Relief Lodge No. 431 without the necessity of healing him.

This Order shall be read to the lodge at the first stated communication after its receipt, entered on the minutes of that communication, and a proper notation made on the margin of the minutes of the stated communication at which the ballot was taken (May 14, 1991) referring to this Order and the date it is recorded on the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal at Mocksville, North Carolina, this 31st day of January, 1992.

ACKNOWLEGMENTS

To my Great Grandfather, Charles F. Bahnson, P.G.L., who established a strong Masonic tradition in my family.

To M.·.W.·. Leon Cash, P.G.M., who first showed me what the practice of Masonry was all about.

To my Grandfather, Frank H. Bahnson, P.M., who raised me to the sublime Degree of Master Mason.

To My Father, Dr. L. P. Martin, P.M., P.D.D.G.M., who showed me that the practice of medicine and the practice of Masonry should go hand in hand.

To my Law Professor, M.·.W.·. Edgar W. Timberlake, P.G.M., who taught me that the practice of law and the practice of Masonry should also go hand in hand.

To the Chief Justice of North Carolina, James M. Exum, Grand Orator, who gave substance to the adage that for one to be Grand Master he must either be retired or have an understanding and compassionate boss.

To M.·.W.·. I. Boyd Hopkins, P.G.M., who made it all possible. As a clergyman practiced what he preached: . . . ."I was a stranger, and ye took me in." Matthew 25:35.

To the Grand Lodge staff, the Oxford Orphanage staff, and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home staff for their patience in dealing with this Grand Master and for their continued service and commitment to our Masonic institutions.

To the Grand Lodge Officers, both past and present, for their many acts of kindness and support during my Grand Lodge pilgrimage.

To the Past Grand Masters, both living and dead, who have touched my life and especially to those who shared their expertise and guidance.

To the District Deputy Grand Masters who did the hard work that made their Grand Master look good.

To the 67,000 Masons in this Grand Lodge Jurisdiction, thank you for this high honor and this moment of glory.

To my wife, Elizabeth, who married a Mason forty-one years ago and has supported him ever since. "I am grateful to the Commonwealth of Virginia. She gave me the Father of my country and the Mother of my sons."

Respectfully submitted,

LESTER P. MARTIN, JR.

Grand Master

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER

(Docket No. 34)

The following report of the Board of General Purposes on the distribution of the Report of the Grand Master was read by Right Worshipful Brother Robert P. Dudley, Grand Secretary, entered on the record and unanimously adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of General Purposes in compliance with the provisions of THE CODE, has reviewed and carefully considered the report of the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Lester P. Martin, Jr. in all of its details and submits this report:

We heartily congratulate the Grand Master, as reflected upon the performance of his activities.

The Board recommends:

(1) That the parts of the Grand Master's report that relate to decisions, dispensations, orders, amendments to THE CODE, and other legal matters be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence;

(2) That the portions relative to matters of finance, be referred to the Committee on Finance;

(3) That the portions concerning the Oxford Orphanage and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, be referred to the respective boards of those institutions;

(4) That the title of "Past District Deputy Grand Master" be conferred on those brethren recommended in the Grand Master's Report, and

(5) That all other matters assigned without further specific reference to the committee or commissions which should properly consider them.

Respectfully submitted,
RAY NORRIS, *Deputy Grand Master*
RICHARD G. MOORE, *Senior Grand Warden*
WILLIAM B. BRUNK, *Junior Grand Warden*
JERRY G. TART, P.G.M., *Acting Grand Treas.*
ROBERT P. DUDLEY, *Grand Secretary*
WALTER F. McCALL, P.G.M.,
FRED L. SHERRILL, JR., P.M.
RALPH V. SHIPTON, P.M.
CECIL J. LIVERMAN, P.G.M.
MAURICE E. WALSH, P.G.M.
H. LLOYD WILKERSON, P.M.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY

(Docket No. 35)

The following report of the Committee on Necrology was presented by W.·.Brother Tommy L. Jones, Chairman, and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

"If a man dies shall he live again?"

This age old question asked by Job has been the text of countless sermons throughout the History of Mankind. Today, at this memorial service, our attention again is focused on the death of our fallen Brothers and, although

believers in immortality, we are perplexed by the hereafter.

Deep in the human conscience is a universal conviction that:

1. the personality survives the grave,
2. death does not end all, and
3. man, the immortal part of him never dies

Two of the cardinal principles of Freemasonry are the belief in God and the belief in the immortality of the soul or life after death.

We sit by the bed of a loved one and see life slowly ebbing away. Breathing ceases and we say that the patient is dead. As Freemasons we believe, and are taught, that there is an immortal part in man which survives the grave and which shall never, never die.

Listen to what Sir Wilfred Grenfell said about death at the twilight time of his life.

"Life is a stream constantly running towards a horizon that limits our sight only. Of course there is a beyond.

"Everyone sometimes thinks of his own life as that of a small ship on an adventuresome voyage across a broad ocean. Of course, we all think our voyage has some purpose and that some day we shall make a home port somewhere.

"I refuse for one moment to believe I am only my physical body. Nor do I believe this thing called death is the end of the life of the individual, because the evidence to me is all the other way. We see the work of a Personality, although lost to physical sight, going on everywhere around us."

Today we bow in humble respect to the memory of 1,471 Masons who, during the past year, have entered The Grand Lodge above. These brethren have gone from our human sight but not from our memory. As we share our sympathy with their loved ones we are aware that the great light of Masonry will shine perpetually upon them.

We see the vacant chairs, we miss their physical presence, but we feel their immortal spirits are very close to us today. And how very near they are to us! Only God knows.

Our lives are the larger for having known these 1,471 Brothers and the lesser for their loss.

OTTO NEUSTADT
Judge Advocate
Born: October 6, 1910 Died: October 10, 1991

At this time the eulogy for Otto Neustadt, Judge Advocate, will be given by W.˙.Brother J. William Hudson, P.M.

OTTO NEUSTADT

Born October 6, 1910 and raised in New Kent County Virginia. He was a retired Regional Sales Manager with Pyrofax Corporation with forty years of continuous service.

Our friend and brother was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in Hiram Lodge on November 13, 1961. He served Hiram Lodge as Worshipful Master in 1969. While serving as Worshipful Master, Brother Neustadt and all his line officers were Certified Lecturers under The Grand Lodge program of Certified Lecturer. He also served as Secretary and was a Life Member of Hiram Lodge. Worshipful Brother Neustadt was an Honorary Member of several other lodges. Otto conducted the Masonic Funeral Service for many brethren and helped conduct several Grand Lodge Funerals. He served on several Grand Lodge Committees over the years but perhaps his greatest contribution was as Judge Advocate for the Grand Lodge. Brother Neustadt was appointed Judge Advocate by Most Worshipful Brother William B. Bellois in 1979 and served continually until his death on October 10, 1991. He had served under thirteen different Grand Masters.

Otto was very active in the York Rite and served Raleigh York Rite Bodies as Secretary/Recorder for thirteen years and was elected Secretary/Recorder Emeritus and also "Life Member" in 1983. He was a past presiding officer of all the York Rite Bodies and was elected a Knight of the York Cross of Honor as a result of that distinction; he went on to receive a Grand Quadrant making him a Knight of the York Grand Cross of Honor; he later served as Prior of Lily of the Valley Priory No. 1, Knights of the York Cross of Honor.

In 1976 he was elected and served as Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina. He later served a term of three years as Deputy General Grand High Priest for the eight southeastern states of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International. He had also served on many Grand York Rite Committees.

Otto was a Past Sovereign and secretary of St. John of Patmos Conclave, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and at his death was Intendant General for North Carolina. He was a member and Past Preceptor of Mount of the Holy Cross Tabernacle No. 1, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests. He was a member of Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis (S.R.I.C.F.) He was a charter member of North Carolina College of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America, a Past Governor, and a recipient of the Purple Cross. He was a Past Excellent Chief of Knight Masons of the U.S.A.; a Past Sovereign Master of the Allied Masonic Degrees distinguished with the Red Branch of Erie; and served the North Carolina Association—Allied Masonic Degrees as President and then for a number of years as Secretary. He was a member of the Grand College of Rites, the Philatethes Society, and several Lodges of Research.

He was a long time member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite and a member of the Royal Order of Scotland. He was also a charter member of Amran Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Otto loved his masonry with a passion, but of prime importance was his family and was always there for them. He loved his friends and was very loyal to those around him. Outside of Freemasonry his hobbies were hunting and fishing and reading.

The Level and The Square

We meet upon the level and we part upon the square,
O what precious words of meaning those words Masonic are.

Come let us contemplate them, they are worthy of a thought,
With the highest and the lowest and the rarest they are fraught.

We meet upon the level though from every station come,
The king from out his palace and the poor man from his home.
For the one must leave his diadem without the mason's door,
And the other gains his true respect upon the checkered floor.

We part upon the square for the world must have its due,
We mingle with its multitude, a cold unfriendly crew.
But the influence of our gathering in memory is green,
And we long upon the level to renew its happy scene.

There's a world where all are equal
We are hurrying towards it fast.
We shall meet upon the level there when the gates of death have passed.
We shall stand before the Orient and our master will be there,
To try the blocks we offer by his own unerring square.

We shall meet upon the level there but never thence depart.
There's a mansion tis a waiting for each faithfully zealous heart.
There's a welcome and a mansion and a multitude is there,
We have met upon the level and been tried upon the square.

Let us meet upon the level then, while laboring patient here,
Let us meet and let us labor though the labor seems severe.
Already in the western sky signs bid us prepare,
To gather up our working tools and part upon the square.

Hands round ye faithful Ghiblimites
The bright fraternal chain,
We part upon the square below to meet in heaven again.
O what precious words of meaning those words masonic are,
We meet upon the level and we part upon the square.

—Rob Morris

MEMORIAL PRAYER

Our heavenly Father, in the solemn stillness of this hour, we raise our hearts unto Thee and acknowledge Thee as the Sovereign Lord of life and death. Into Thine almighty hands do we commend the spirits of our departed brothers confident that all is well with those who have fully placed their trust in Thee. We have committed them to Thy loving care, but we still miss them and remember them with affection and loneliness occasioned by their passing from among us.

We beseech Thee to increase our faith and deepen our trust in Thee so that we may hold fast to Thee even when we may not see clearly the road ahead. Quicken our love to Thee and draw us into a closer relationship to Thee through this fellowship of suffering. Enable us to lift our eyes above the dust of this earth and let us behold more clearly the eternal destiny which Thou hast prepared for all them that love and serve Thee.

Be Thou near those who have been most deeply touched by sorrow and weighed down by grief. Grant unto them, we implore Thee, the comfort which shall strengthen them, the consolation which shall banish all desolation from their hearts, the love which shall hold them securely in Thy fellowship, and the peace which shall give rest to their hearts and minds.

We thank Thee that Thou hast opened up to us the portals of new and eternal life. We praise Thee for the light of eternity which breaks over death and the grave, proclaiming good tidings of the Temple which has been prepared for all those who love and trust and serve Thee. Sustain and strengthen us with the continued presence of Thy divine grace—Thy strength being made perfect in weakness which is so evident in all of us. Help us to see in the eyes of faith that all things work together for good and that the trials of this present hour are not to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in us.

We thank Thee that every one of us is of concern to Thee; that Thou has a stake in us; that Thou hast given us work to do and dost add our hearts and minds to the working capital of Thy providence. We thank Thee that we do not live in vain when we live at our best. Throughout all the changes in life, may we fix our minds upon whatsoever things are true; whatsoever things are pure; whatsoever things are lovely; whatsoever things are of good report; that wherein there is virtue, wherein there is praise, we may think and do these things; believing in Thy mercy and everlasting goodness. Then, when the shadows come and the darkness falls and our work is done on earth, grant unto us an entrance into the Temple above in the house not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,
TOMMY L. JONES, *Chairman*
Committee on Necrology

PRESENTATION OF PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS' CERTIFICATES

(Docket No. 36)

A motion was made and seconded that the Honorary Title of Past District Deputy Grand Master be granted to those brethren qualified and recommended by the Grand Master in his report. On vote, the motion was duly adopted.

The Grand Master, with appropriate remarks, presented Past District Deputy Grand Masters' Certificates to the following brethren:

NAME	LODGE	DISTRICT	YEARS SERVED	TOTAL YEARS
Alvin C. Basnight	171	2	1989-90-91	3
Elmore R Gray	698	3	1989-90-91	3
Johnny M. Smith	509	4	1989-90-91	3
Richard V. Hearne	725	7	1989-90-91	3
Sterling W. Gillikin, Jr.	4	11	1989-90-91	3
Alfred B. C. Dew	658	12	1989-90-91	3
Rex B. Card	123	22	1989-90-91	3
Kenneth R Jarman	683	23	1989-90-91	3
David G. Cronk	743	25	1989-90-91	3
Allen L. Bruner	584	26	1989-90-91	3
Billy D. Brady	403	31	1989-90-91	3
James H. Oakley	272	34	1989-90-91	3
Wilbur T. Boyte	129	35	1989-90-91	3

NAME	LODGE	DISTRICT	YEARS SERVED	TOTAL YEARS
Max R Wood	732	37	1989-90-91	3
Clyde E. Bridges	692	40	1989-90-91	3
Theodore H. Morris	742	41	1989-90-91	3
Henry R Tucker	32	43	1989-90-91	3
Wayne Webb	265	48	1989-90-91	3
Jack S. Nixon	407	50	1989-90-91	3
A. L. Potter	27	52	1989-90-91	3
James V. Rhyne	713	54	1989-90-91	3
Dennis K. Mikeal	262	57	1989-90-91	3
Norris R. West	446	61	1989-90-91	3
Robert C. Kraus	145	64	1989-90-91	3

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CUSTODIANS

(Docket No. 37)

The following report of the Board of Custodians was read by W.·.Brother E. Floyd Dunn, P.M., Secretary, entered on the record, adopted by sections, then adopted as a whole:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of Custodians held five (5) meetings since the last Annual Communication.

FIRST MEETING

June 14, 1991

The Board met in the Grand Lodge Office Building, Raleigh, N. C. with all members present. Visitor was Brother Ralph Shipton.

As provided in Regulation 35-02 of the Code the following were elected for 1991:

Kolen Flack, *Chairman*

E. Floyd Dunn, *Secretary*

The new members: Brother James O. Hartman, Brother James H. Carmichael and Brother Shutt Hartman were extended a warm welcome to the Board.

Permission was granted to Mount Olive Lodge No. 208 to use robes and regalia in the second section of the Master Mason's Degree.

The Board denied the request of Neill S. Stewart Lodge No. 556 to display a miniature coffin or any other material not recognized in the OSW in the lodge during the conferring of the second section of the Master Mason's Degree.

The Grand Lecturer reported that Brother Terry L. Ratcliffe had resigned as D.D.G.L. of District 62 and that Brother Howard W. Nelson had been appointed to replace him. Action approved by the Board.

The Grand Lecturer reported that Atlantic Lodge No. 294, King Soloman Lodge No. 56 and Seaboard Lodge No. 378 did not participate in any Schools of Instruction.

The Secretary was directed by the Board to notify all 65 District Deputy Grand Lecturers that a copy of the Bahnson's Manual is not to be presented to or given to any candidate having received less than the Master Mason's Degree.

SECOND MEETING

September 6, 1991

A meeting of the Board of Custodians was held in the Grand Lodge Office Building with all members present. Visitor: Brother Ralph V. Shipton.

The Secretary reported that everything was ready for the Certified Lecturer Examinations. Permission was granted to the Secretary to grant extensions to Certified Lecturers requesting a one year extension providing the request was legitimate and worthy

Motion made by Brother Flack, seconded by Brother Dunn that Brother Cecil Lawrence Ham be granted the Honorary Title Certified Lecturer Emeritus. Motion carried.

Motion made by Brother Dunn, seconded by Brother Massengill that Brother Charles T. Potter and Brother Harold Randolph Snipes be granted the honorary title Certified Lecturer Emeritus. Motion carried.

THIRD MEETING

January 10, 1992

A meeting of the Board of Custodians was held in the Grand Lodge Office Building with all members present with the exception of Brother Shutt Hartman and Brother Steven Nixon. Visitors were Brothers Ralph Shipton and George Jenkins.

The Secretary gave the following report of the completed Certified Lecture Examinations held in September of 1991.

Area	Re"A"	New "A"	Re "B"	New "B"	"B" to "A"	Ext.
1	11	1	0	1	0	0
2	12	3	1	3	1	2
3	19	5	0	0	0	1
4	25	10	0	1	0	0
5	10	2	0	0	0	1

Total Examinations	105
Total Failed	0
Total Completions	105

	"A"	"B"
Died	8	0
Dropped	16	2
Total Losses	24	2
New	21	6
"B" to "A"	4	0
	25	6
Net Gain	1	4
Net Loss	0	0
	1	4

Granted Extensions: 4

	"A"	"B"
Total Certified Lecturers	270	28

Motion made by Brother E. Floyd Dunn, seconded by Brother James H. Carmichael that Lecture Service Fee be increased to $50.00 for the incoming year subject to the Approval of the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

The Secretary advised the Board that three of the lodges due Lecture

Service in 1989 still have not held their Lecture Service as required.

The Secretary advised the Board that three of the lodges due Lecture Service in 1990 still have not held their Lecture Service as required.

The Secretary advised the Board that eighteen lodges due Lecture Service in 1991 still have not held their Lecture Service as required.

The Grand Lecturer advised the Board that he would have the list of District Deputy Grand Lecturers by next meeting (1992-93).

The Grand Lecturer was directed by the Board, should he have any inquiry from any lodge, that minimum standards for standards for Schools of Instruction adopted would not and could not approve major deviations and eliminate uniformity.

FOURTH MEETING

March 13, 1992

A meeting of the Board of Custodians was held in the Grand Lodge Office Building with all members present with the exception of Brother James H. Carmichael. Visitors were Brother Ralph Shipton and Earnesto Pino.

The question from Brother John Sing, Pendleton Lodge No. 524 pertaining to the use of the poem "On Yonder Book" in the degree of Master Masons was thoroughly discussed at great length. It was the unanimous opinion of all members of the Board present that the poem "On Yonder Book" is not to be used on a night when the third degree (Master Masons) degree is held. This is an unauthorized part of the work. No material shall be used in degree work that is not covered in the OSW or Bahnson's Manual. This type of material such as "On Yonder Book" may be used as Masonic Education on a night when no degree is performed. All lodges are to use the authorized work in the OSW and Bahnson Manual only.

Motion made by Brother E. Floyd Dunn, seconded by Brother H. V. Massengill that the Board of Custodians approves and recommends that the "Lodge System of Masonic Education" be continued and that each lodge in the grand Jurisdiction is expected to participate fully in the program. Motion carried.

The following resolution was offered:

> "Be it resolved by the Board of Custodians at their meeting on March 13, 1992 that the lodge Lecture Service fee be set at $50.00 for the coming Grand Lodge year."

Motion made by Brother E. Floyd Dunn, seconded by Brother Shutt Hartman that since the four-year cycle of mandatory lecture service would be completed in 1992 that we go on a three-year cycle for the next three years beginning January 1993. First third of lodges numerical be lectured in 1993, second third of lodges numerical to be lectured in 1994, and final third or balance of lodges be lectured in 1995, and this schedule or procedure to be followed thereafter. Motion carried. This is the schedule that was originally planned by the Board but were asked to go on a four-year schedule until finances were better.

The Grand Lecturer presented the following list of names for District Deputy Grand Lecturers for the sixty-five districts for the incoming Grand Lodge year (1992-93). Motion made by Brother James O. Hartman, Grand Lecturer, seconded by Brother E. Floyd Dunn that list be approved. Motion carried.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS—1992-1993

1 Charles F. Robertst, C.L ..... (53) Elizabeth City 27909, 1130 Commissary Rd.
2 William P. Harrellt, C.L ..... (171) Colerain 27924, Box 114
3 H. Wayne Coxt, C.L ..... (328) Englehard 27824, P. 0. Box 4
4 Gary D. Sherwoodt,C.L ..... (59) Roper 27970, Rt. 1, Box 805

5 John W. Johnston, III†, C.L .....(708) Greenville 27858,1959-B Quail Ridge Rd..
6 Joseph W. Buck†, C.L .....(479) New Bern 28560, Rt. 1, Box 202, Chair Rd.
7 George E. Herring†, C.L .....(725) New Bern 28562, 3022 Madison Ave.
8 Charles W. Moore†, C.L. .....(688) Havelock 28532, 126 Craven Dr.
9 W. Dennis Combs†, C.L .....(83) Jacksonville 28540, 213 Fenton Place
10 Allen L. Bevill†, C.L .....(249) Winnabow 28479. Rt. 1, Box 106B
11 John R. Edwards†, C.L .....(568) New Bern 28560,1011 Meadows St.
12 Larry D. Houston†, C.L .....(658) Pink Hill 28572, Rt. 2, Box 336
13 William L. Crawley†, C.L .....(646) Bladenboro 28320, P. O. Box 355
14 Douglas M. Chase†, C. L .....(679) Fayetteville 28304,1843 Byrn Mawr Rd.
15 Ralph N. Weaver†, C.L .....(125) Goldsboro 27530, Rt. 1, Box 335
16 George B. Aycock†, C.L .....(112) Goldsboro 27530, 509 E. Ash St.
17 H. Melton Meacomes, Jr.†, C.L .....(411) Bailey 27807, Rt. 1, Box 37
18 Robert W. Proctor†, C.L .....(729) Nashville 27856,110 Queen Ann Ave.
19 Johnny L. Reynolds, Jr.,†, C.L .....(524) Conway 27820, Rt. 1, Box 60
20 J. Donald Cagle†, C.L .....(519) Roanoke Rapids 27870,1304 Hamilton St.
21 Charlie T. Keeton, Jr., †, C.L .....(229) Henderson 27536, Rt. 8, Box 176
22 McComas B. Burgess†, C.L .....(413) Franklinton 27525, 207 N. Chavis St.
23 Joseph C. Saunders, Sr.†, C.L .....(40) Raleigh 27606, 354 Wilmot Dr.
24 J. William Hudson†, C.L .....(735) Raleigh 27609, 5605 Partridge Lane
25 Michael W. Brantley†, C.L. .....(735) Raleigh 27607, 3505 Horton St., Apt. 101
26 J. Luigi Ammons†, C.L .....(97) Raleigh 27604, 3701 Buffaloe Rd.
27 Charles E. Coats†, C.L .....(191) Clayton 27520, G. I. Joe's, 721 Hwy. 70
28 Thurman C. Jernigan†, C.L .....(431) Benson 27504, Rt. 4
29 Theodore R. Brinson, Jr†, C.L .....(731) Parkton 28371, P. 0. Box 325
30 William P. Horne, Jr.,†, C.L .....(532) Hamlet 28345, 100 Wallace St.
31 Robert L. Boone, C.L .....(555) Robbins 27325, P. 0. Box 621
32 Bruce D. Bondy, C.L .....(687) Durham 27705, 4112 Trevor Circle
33 Calvin C. Hall†, C.L .....(113) Roxboro 27573, 448 Younger Rd.
34 Charles F. Bivins†, C.L .....(721) Burlington 27215, 4083 Rural Retreat Rd.
35 Lewis C. Odom†, C.L .....(384) Reidsville 27320, 860 Lawsonville Ave.
36 Hugh L. McLaurin†, C.L .....(542) Greensboro 27405, 2014 Twain Rd.
37 Stephen L. Brumfield†, C.L. .....(732) Thomasville 27360, Rt. 3, Box 320
38 Wayne R. Rummage†, C.L. .....(637) Albemarle 28001, 36109 Davis Dr.
39 Donald M. Helton†, C.L. .....(244) Monroe 28110, 2121 Lawyers Rd. E.
40 Richard L. Jones†, C.L .....(692) Charlotte 28205, 1534 Thomas Ave.
41 James V. Wilson†, C.L .....(700) Pineville 28134, P. 0. Box 422
42 Gerald F. Lee†, C.L .....(676) Charlotte 28210, P. 0. Box 220118
43 Daniel S. Hartis, Jr., C.L .....(695) Kannapolis 28081, 2207 Woodlawn St.
44 L. David Potts†, C.L. .....(576) Salisbury 28144, 180 Newport Dr.
45 Roy C. West, C.L .....(696) Lexington 27292, 4 Penry St.
46 Scott T. Horn, C.L .....(751) Winston-Salem 27103, 809 S. Sunset Dr.
47 D. Wade Loflen†, C.L .....(322) Mount Airy 27030, 716 Carolina Ave.
48 James Y. Smith†, C.L. .....(265) Advance 27006, Rt. 1, Box 440
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59 Thomas H. Fleming, C.L. .....(401) Marion 28752, 6 Main St.
60 Claude F. Laughter†, C.L. .....(387) Hendersonville 28739, Rt. 8, Box 74A
61 James A. Crabtree, Sr., C.L. .....(491) Candler 28715, 315 Milksick Rd.
62 Howard W. Nelson†, C.L. .....(717) Burnsville 28714, Rt. 2, Box 1248
63 Floyd L. Brooks†, C.L. .....(386) Canton 28716, 51 Main St.
64 Andrew D. Cloer†, C.L. .....(145) Franklin 28734, Rt. 10, Box 124
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Motion made by Brother E. Floyd Dunn, seconded by Brother H. V. Massengill that the folowing be awarded Past District Deputy Grand Lecturer Certificates subject to the approval of the Grand Master. Motion carried.

Motion made by Brother E. Floyd Dunn, seconded by Brother H. V. Masengill that Brother James O. Hartman succeed himself as Grand Lecturer for 1992-93 subject to the approval of the incoming Grand Master. Motion carried.

It was reported that there are two (2) lodges due lecture service during

1989, two (2) due lecture service during 1990, sixteen (16) lodges due lecture service during 1991 that have not completed their required lecture service. At this time help from higher authorities is going to be needed.

Lodges Dues 1989	Last Lectured
Colerain No. 171	1972
Fair Bluff No. 190	1978
Lodges Due 1990	
Seaboard No. 378	1972
Mooresboro No. 388	1976
Lodges Due 1991	
Biltmore No. 446	1988
South Fork No. 462	1988
Currituck No. 463	1987
St. Pauls No. 474	1988
Linville No. 489	1978
Pilot No. 493	1978
Royal Hart No. 497	1976
Rodgers No. 525	1974
Joppa No. 530	1987
Vesper No. 554	1971
Tabor No. 563	1978
Mt. Pleasant No. 569	1988
Cranberry No. 598	1976
Queen City No. 602	1988
John H. Mills No. 624	1973
Chadbourn No. 607	0000

PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS

District	Name	Dates
7	Reuben N. Rice	89-90-91
8	O. Lee Jones	89-90-91
9	Thomas W. McCree, Jr.	89-90-91
10	Cecil E. Bowden	89-90-91
12	Harold C. Ritchie	89-90-91
17	John Hilton Best	89-90-91
19	Rufus O. Matthews	89-90-91
23	Joseph C. Saunders, Jr.	89-90-91
25	J. Luigi Ammons	89-90-91
26	Donald A. Bennett	89-90-91
30	Vivian W. Green	89-90-91
37	R. Wayne Morton	89-90-91
38	Richard V. Lawson	89-90-91
44	Clyde L. Newton	89-90-91
48	R. Clyde Glascock	89-90-91
51	Johnny M. Wyatt	89-90-91
57	Thomas L. Hartman	89-90-91
59	Birchel A. Rice	89-90-91
65	J. Kelly Hooper	89-90-91

FIFTH MEETING

April 20, 1992

The Board met in the Live Oak Room No. 1, Radisson Plaza with all members present but Brother Shutt Hartman and Brother James H. Carmichael. Visitor: Ralph V. Shipton.

Motion made by Brother Massengill, seconded by Brother Nixon that the

following be awarded certificates entitled "Laudamus" by virtue of having continuous service for fifteen (15) years in the Certified Lecture Program.

Kennon Everett Blackwelder	James Ralph Pinion
Norman Garland Hines	Winston A. Riddle
Ottis R. Jefferson, Jr.	Maurice C. Rozzelle
Joseph Frederick Krape	Starkey Stokes Shaw
Carlis Junior Martin	Robert C. Spivey
Harold Reid Phelps	Talmage Thompson
Brooks Franklin Phillips	James Batey White

The Grand Lecturer informed the Board that all districts have been filled with District Deputy Grand Lecturers with the exception of District 6.

The Grand Lecturer reported that everything was ready for the incoming District Deputy Grand Lecturers.

Motion made by Brother Hartman, seconded by Brother Massengill that minutes of this meeting and annual report be approved as written.

Respectfully submitted,
E. FLOYD DUNN, *Secretary*

CALLED FROM LABOR TO REFRESHMENT

The minutes were read by the Grand Secretary and approved. Prayer was offered by W.·.Brother B. Patrick Cox, Grand Chaplain, and the Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment until 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 22, 1992, in Memorial Auditorium, Raleigh, North Carolina.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

The Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 22, 1992, in Memorial Auditorium, Raleigh, North Carolina, by M.·.W.·.Brother Lester P. Martin, Jr., Grand Master. Prayer was offered by W.·.Brother B. Patrick Cox, Grand Chaplain.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

(Docket No. 38)

The following report of the Committee on Finance was presented by M.·.W.·.Brother Leslie H. Garner, P.G.M., Chairman, and adopted by sections, then adopted as a whole:

ESTIMATE OF INCOME

	Estimated Income 1991	Actual Income 1991	Estimated Income 1992
66,400 Master Masons @ $6.00	$398,400.00	$397,727.50	
65,400 Master Masons @ $7.50			$490,500.00
1,300 Initiation Fees @ $1.00	1,300.00	1,445.00	1,300.00
Dividends and Interest	33,000.00	24,292.58	23,500.00
Miscellaneous Sales	1,000.00	585.00	1,000.00
Total Income	$433,700.00	$424,050.08	$516,300.00
Balance Forwarded		$59,587.99	$17,726.37

PROPOSED BUDGET

Account No.	Account Name	Budget 1991	Expended 1991	Proposed Budget 1992
800-01	Oxford Orphanage	12,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
800-02	Masonic & Eastern Star Home	12,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00

800-03	Charity	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
800-04	Hospital Visitation (MSA)	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
800-05	Hospital Visitation (NC)	300.00	100.00	300.00
800-06	Order of Demolay	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
800-07	Order of Rainbow for Girls	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
800-09	Geo. Washington National Memor	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.0
800-00	**Philanthropy Total**	37,300.00	37,100.00	37,300.00
810-00	**Salaries and Fees Total**	162,430.00	162,818.41	171,431.00
820-01	Stationery	1,400.00	1,368.75	1,400.00
820-02	Printing (Routine)	800.00	530.78	600.00
820-03	Printing Proceedings	8,700.00	8,608.86	8,700.00
820-04	Office Supplies	1,200.00	1,317.34	1,400.00
820-05	Postage	6,800.00	6,792.86	6,800.00
820-06	Building and Office Equipment	5,000.00	5,000.00	7,500.00
820-07	Office Equipment Maintenance	2,500.00	2,043.77	2,500.00
820-08	Telephone	5,600.00	5,543.50	5,800.00
820-09	Transportation (Grand Secretary)	4,000.00	4,000.00	6,500.00
820-10	Official Forms (Annual Returns)	1,000.00	895.18	1,000.00
820-11	Auditing	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,500.00
820-00	**Administration Costs Total**	40,200.00	39,301.04	45,700.00
830-01	Utilities	10,000.00	9,799.06	10,300.00
830-02	Building and Yard Maintenance	8,900.00	8,790.97	9,100.00
830-03	Equipment Maintenance	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,500.00
830-04	Hazard Insurance	10,000.00	9,636.00	10,300.00
830-00	**Building Expenses Total**	29,900.00	29,226.03	32,200.00
840-01	Masonic Service Association	3,250.00	3,200.56	3,200.00
840-02	Conference of Grand Masters	550.00	540.00	690.00
840-03	GMC Committee on Recognition	100.00	100.00	100.00
840-04	Conference of Grand Secretary	65.00	65.00	65.00
840-05	Southeastern Masonic Conference	300.00	300.00	300.00
840-00	**Membership Fees and Dues Total**	4,265.00	4,205.56	4,355.00
850-01	Grand Master's Travel	7,000.00	4,028.04	9,000.00
850-02	Grand Master's Automobile	4,000.00	4,000.00	6,500.00
850-03	Grand Master's Office	1,000.00	72.45	1,000.00
850-04	Deputy Grand Master's Travel	600.00	484.29	600.00
850-05	Senior Grand Warden's Travel	600.00	84.92	600.00
850-06	Junior Grand Warden's Travel	600.00	349.84	600.00
850-07	Grand Treasurer's Travel	650.00	326.76	500.00
850-09	Grand Secretary's Travel	5,000.00	4,848.15	6,500.00
850-10	Judge Advocate Office & Travel	100.00	63.33	100.00
850-11	DDGM Travel	1,600.00	1,613.20	1,600.00
850-12	DDGL Travel	1,600.00	1,202.57	1,600.00
850-13	Grand Lodge Comm. & Emer. Comm	3,800.00	2,372.77	3,000.00
850-00	**Travel and Office Expense Total**	26,550.00	19,446.32	31,600.00
860-01	Board of General Purposes	1,700.00	1,483.91	2,000.00
860-02	Board of Custodians	7,000.00	7,303.87	7,200.00
860-03	Lecture Service	4,000.00	3,120.00	5,000.00
860-04	Masonic Public Relations	7,500.00	5,977.83	6,000.00
860-05	Finance Committee	200.00	511.18	600.00
860-06	Code Commission	100.00	0.00	100.00
860-07	Lodge Service Commission	300.00	135.09	300.00
890-06	Masonic Education (R & D)	1,500.00	3,479.87	3,000.00
860-00	**Boards and Committees Office and Travel Total**	22,300.00	22,011.75	24,200.00
870-01	Visiting other Grand Lodges	1,500.00	0.00	6,000.00
870-02	Conference of Grand Masters	3,000.00	1,542.21	1,600 00
870-03	Conference of Grand Secretaries	1,200.00	1,200.00	400.00
870-04	MSA & GWNMA Conference	1,200.00	1,200.00	400.00
870-05	Southeastern Masonic Conference	3,000.00	1,402.31	7,000.00
870-00	**Out-of-State Visitation Total**	9,900.00	5,344.52	15,400.00
880-01	Grand Lodge Officers		1,993.94	
880-02	Past Grand Masters		2,598.60	
880-03	DDGM's Travel		4,485.60	
880-04	DDGL's Travel		3,429.90	
880-05	Boards, Committees,& Comm.		3,952.70	
880-06	Guests		3,922.20	
880-08	Auditorium, Banquets, Etc.		18,775.85	
880-00	**Annual Communication Total**	34,000.00	39,158.79	37,500.00
890-01	Awards, Aprons, and Emblems	10,500.00	10,494.05	6,000.00
890-02	Grand Master's Portrait	550.00	362.25	500.00
890-03	Trial Commission Expense	100.00	0.00	100.00
890-04	Contingencies	2,600.00	1,016.94	1,800.00

890-05	Warehouse Storage	360.00	445.00	450.00
890-00	**Miscellaneous Expenses Total**	14,110.00	12,318.24	8,850.00
901-01	Editor's Salary	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
901-02	Social Security	918.00	918.00	918.00
901-03	Printing	34,627.00	31,170.01	33,630.00
901-04	Postage	46,400.00	43,834.75	34,252.00
901-05	Labels	1,805.00	1,339.90	1,200.00
901-06	Sales Tax	1,925.00	1,599.41	2,000.00
901-07	Travel	1,000.00	912.88	1,000.00
901-08	Miscellaneous Expenses	1,000.00	1,611.32	1,000.00
900-00	**North Carolina Mason Total**	99,675.00	93,386.27	86,000.00
	RECAPITULATION OF BUDGETS			
800-00	Total Philanthrophy	37,300.00	37,100.00	37,300.00
810-00	Total Salaries and Fees	162,430.00	162,818.41	171,431.00
820-00	Total Administration Costs	40,200.00	39,301.04	45,700.00
830-00	Total Building	29,900.00	29,226.03	32,200.00
840-00	Total Membership Fees and Dues	4,265.00	4,205.56	4,355.00
850-00	Total Travel and Officers Exp.	26,550.00	19,446.32	31,600.00
860-00	Total Boards Comm. Comm.	22,300.00	22,011.75	24,200.00
870-00	Total Out-of-state Visitation	9,900.00	5,344.52	15,400.00
880-00	Total Annual Communication	34,000.00	39,158.79	37,500.00
890-00	Total Miscellaneous Expense	14,110.00	12,318.24	8,850.00
900-00	Total North Carolina Mason	99,675.00	93,386.27	86,000.00
	Series 800-00—900-00 Total	480,630.00	464,316.93	494,536.00

We recommend that the North Carolina Foundation, Inc. divide the earnings up to $125,000 between Oxford Orphanage and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. Any additional earnings above the $125,000 shall be disbursed to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

We recommend the Charity Fund transfer to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home and Oxford Orphanage the sum of $6,000.00 each.

At the 1991 Annual Communication, $64,000 was authorized to be spent from the Special Contingency Reserve Fund for Computer Equipment and for emblems and awards. The understanding was that these funds would be replaced as our finances would permit. We, therefore, recommend that the balance forwarded from 1991 in the amount of $17,726.37 be transferred to the Special Contingency Reserve Fund.

We recommend that the earned interest from the Special Contingency Fund and Building and Office Equipment Account be paid to the General Fund of the Grand Lodge.

We recommend that the Grand Master have authority, when he deems it advisable for the best interest of the Grand Lodge, to suspend the allotment made to any committee, activity or agency of the Grand Lodge.

We recommend further that when it shall appear for the best interest of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master be authorized to give written authorization for the budget to be exceeded by any department, agency or office to incur out-of-ordinary expenses not herein provided for, within availability of funds.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Norris, *Deputy Grand Master*
Richard G. Moore, *Senior Grand Warden*
William B. Brunk, *Junior Grand Warden*
Leslie H. Garner, P.G.M., *Chairman*
Sam A. Hennis, Jr., P.G.M.
L. R. Thomas, Jr., P.G.M.
Charles E. Scott, Jr. P.M.
Edwin L. Becton, P.M.
Kolen Flack, P.M.
Bunn T. Phillips, Jr., P.G.M.
Fred S. Daniels, P.M.
Albert B. Gobble, P.M.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE

(Docket No. 39)

The following report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence was read by Most Worshipful Brother Walter F. McCall, P.G.M. and the recommendation of the committee on each section was adopted or rejected as indicated. The report was then adopted as a whole.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence respectfully submits the following report. For convenient reference, we use the same subjects, titles and subdivisions of the Address of the Grand Master, as used by him or the Docket Number used in any report, or other documents submitted for our consideration and action in all of our references to those matters and subjects.

OFFICIAL OPINION NO. 1

We recommend that the Grand Lodge approve the action of the Grand Master as reported by him under this title.

(ADOPTED)

ORDER NO. 1

We recommend that the Grand Lodge approve the action of the Grand Master as reported by him under this title.

(ADOPTED)

ORDER NO. 2

We recommend that the Grand Lodge approve the action of the Grand Master as reported by him under this title.

(ADOPTED)

ORDER NO. 3

We recommend that the Grand Lodge approve the action of the Grand Master as reported by him under this title.

(ADOPTED)

ORDER NO. 4

We recommend that the Grand Lodge approve the action of the Grand Master as reported by him under this title.

(ADOPTED)

Amend Regulation 32-06 to read as follows:

REG. 32-06. Each District Deputy Grand Master shall render to the Grand Master before December tenth of each year an itemized account of the **actual** and necessary travel expense incurred by him in the performance of his duties; **the amount for mileage shall be determined by the Committee on Finance and approved by the Board of General Purposes.** The Grand Master may order the same to be paid from the funds of the Grand Lodge, if such expense has been incurred in the performance of routine duty, but not for more than two official visits to each lodge in his district during a calendar year. If the expense has been incurred for a special duty, the Grand Master may order the lodge or the Grand Lodge to pay it.

The committee recommends the adoption of this proposed amendment.

(ADOPTED)

Amend Regultion 35-08(2) to read as follows:

REG. 35-08 (2). To appoint from the Certified Lecturers, upon nomination by the Grand Lecturer, such District Deputy Grand Lecturers as the board may

deem necessary; provided a District Deputy Grand Lecturer shall not become a member or an officer of the Grand Lodge by virtue of his appointment hereunder, and provided, no appointment shall extend beyond the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge. No such District Deputy Grand Lecturer shall be installed or compensated for his services as such; but his actual and necessary travel expense, shall be paid by the Grand Lodge when approved by the Grand Lecturer; **the amount of mileage shall be determined by the Committee on finance and approved by the Board of General Purposes;** but he shall not be reimbursed for more than two visits to each lodge in his district during a calendar year. Before December tenth each year each District Deputy Grand Lecturer shall file an itemized account of such expense with the Grand Lecturer for his approval, and if approved by the Grand Lecturer shall file the same with the Grand Secretary before December twentieth.

The committee recommends the adoption of this proposed amendment.
(ADOPTED)

Amend regulation 94-01(1) to read as follows:
REGULATION 94-01.
1. OBSOLETE

The committee recommends the adoption of this proposed amendment.
(ADOPTED)

Amend regulation 54-01(1) to read as follows:
REGULATION 54-01(1).
The sum of eight dollars and fifty cents for each member of the lodge at low twelve on December thirty-first. (2-06(5); 4-04; 5-01(1); 24-01(3); 24-02; 89-01).

Fifty cents of this proposed increase to be effective for the 1992 Annual Return, payable in January 1993 and the other fifty cents to be effective for the 1993 Annual Return, payable in January 1994.

The Committee recommends the adoption of this proposed amendment and the effective dates.
(REJECTED)

RESOLUTION - RE: THE CODE (Docket No. 30)
Your Committee has carefully considered the Resolution submitted by the Board of General Purposes relative to a complete revision to THE CODE. The Committee is of the opinion that this proposed revision would be of a great benefit to Masonry in North Carolina and should be authorized.

The Committee, therefore, recommends the adoption of the Resolution.
(REJECTED)

Respectfully submitted,
COMMITTEE ON MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE
WALTER F. McCALL,P.G.M, *Chairman*
RAY NORRIS, *Deputy Grand Master*
RICHARD G. MOORE, *Senior Grand Warden*
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JAMES E. WARREN, P.M.
LESLIE H. GARNER, P.G.M.
JERRY R. TILLETT, P.M.
WILLIAM L. MILLS, III, P.M.
S. FRANK NOBLE, JR., P.G.M.
NORBURN C. HYATT, P.G.M.
STANLEY L. ALLEN, P.M.
J. CARLYLE SHERRILL, III, P.M.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE

Amend Regulation 32-03 to read as follows:
REGULATION 32-03. Each District Deputy Grand Master shall be a Master. Past Master or Past District Deputy Grand Lecturer. In addition thereto he shall be well skilled in the authorized work of the three degrees of Symbolic Masonry as defined in Chapters 29 and 30, and well informed in the best business practices for Masonic lodges and the law, custom, and usage of the craft in this Grand Jurisdiction, and he shall be and remain a resident of his district and a member of a subordinate lodge therein. (3-01(5); 12-02).

Amend Regulation 38-02(1) by adding subsection (A) to read as follows:
REGULATION 38-02(1A). The Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary shall attend, without the right to vote, all meetings of the Finance Committee. Their duties to the Finance Committee will be to advise and to provide financial information that is available only to them and through them in their official capacity.

Amend Regulation 47-03 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-03. No lodge shall possess jurisdiction over any petitioner for the degrees in Masonry until he shall have been a resident for one year within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina immediately preceding the date of the petition.

Amend Regulation 47-05 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-05. The intent and meaning of the residence is that the petitioner for the degrees in Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction shall, himself, actually be continuously within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge for one year immediately preceding the date of his petition. However, if he takes occasional trips for business or pleasure outside of this grand jurisdiction for any length of time, but regularly returns to the place from which he sets out, his qualification as to residence will not be affected. This regulation is subject to the provisions of Regulations 47-03, 47-04, and 47-05.

Amend Regulation 47-06 (5). to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-06 (5). Any resident of this state in the armed forces of the United States, may, wherever stationed, petition a lodge for the degrees in this, or any other grand jurisdiction, which may have acquired jurisdiction.

Amend Regulation 47-06 (6) to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-06 (6). The residence of a student attending school is that of his parents if he returns to them during vacations; his attendance at school is presumed to be for a temporary purpose only and without intent to establish a new residence. However, if a students parents live outside of the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and he declares his residence to be at the place where he attends school, and that residence is within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, any lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina may receive his petition, pursuant to Regulation 47-03.

Amend Regulation 47-06 (7) to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-06 (7). Every man has a place of Masonic residence, and it remains such until he makes some other place his Masonic residence,, as provided in Regulation 47-03.

Amend Regulation 47-07 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-07. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 47-15 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-15. A petitioner for the degrees, rejected by a lodge whose charter has been surrendered or revoked, may apply for the degrees to any lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Amend Regulation 47-17 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-17. Obsolete

Amend Regulation 47-18 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-18. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 48-03 to read as follows:
REGULATION 48-03. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 48-04 to read as follows:
REGULATION 48-04. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 48-05 to read as follows:
REGULATION 48-05. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 48-07 to read as follows:
REGULATION 48-07. In matters where concurrent jurisdiction apply, the first lodge taking jurisdiction over the subject matter retains it to the exclusion of any other lodge in the concurrent jurisdiction.

Amend Regulation 73-02 to read as follows:
REGULATION 73-02. No petition for the degrees shall be received by a lodge from one who has been rejected, within six months after such rejection, except as provided in Regulations 78-06 or 78-08.

Amend Regulation 73-05 (2) to read as follows:
REGULATION 73-05 (2). Addressed to a lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Amend Regulation 73-10 to read as follows:
REGULATION 73-10. When a petition for the degrees is presented and read in open lodge, the Master or lodge may refuse to entertain it and may order it returned to the petitioner; but if such action is not then taken, the Master shall declare that it is received, which declaration shall constitute the act of receiving the petition by the lodge.

Amend Regulation 73-11 to read as follows:
REGULATION 73-11. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 74-01 (9) to read as follows:
REGULATION 74-01 (9). Have resided within the state for at least one year immediately preceding the date of his petition.

Amend Regulation 74-05 to read as follows:
REGULATION 74-05. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 76-13 to read as follows:
REGULATION 76-13. The ballot of a lodge upon a petitioner for the degrees or an applicant for affiliation who is not qualified, shall be void and of no effect.

Amend Regulation 76-14 to read as follows:
REGULATION 76-14. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 76-23 to read as follows:
REGULATION 76-23. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 76-29 to read as follows:
REGULATION 76-29. A lodge considering a petition shall be the sole judge of its petitioner's or applicant's qualifications, subject to the law of this Grand Lodge. Protests from a member of another lodge should receive the fullest consideration, but further than that they cannot prevail.

Amend Regulation 78-04 to read as follows:
REGULATION 78-04. No lodge shall receive the petition of one who has been rejected for the degrees within six months from the date of his rejection; but it may thereafter if the petitioner is otherwise qualified.

Amend Regulation 51-10 to read as follows:
REGULATION 51-10. All business shall be transacted in a Master Mason's Lodge, except proficiency examinations and degree work in the first and second degrees, or the discipline of Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts as provided in Chapter 108.

1. A subordinate lodge shall be opened and closed on the degree of Master Mason in Due Form and on the first and second degrees in Form, except when the Grand Master opens and presides, then they shall be opened and closed in Ample Form.
2. The representatives of the three Lesser Lights shall be lighted at all times when a lodge is open on the Degree of Entered Apprentice. It shall be optional whether they be lighted at any other time when the lodge is open. Their places shall be in a triangular position near the altar.

Amend Regulation 80-01 to read as follows:
REGULATION 80-01. Before a candidate can be advanced to a higher degree, he shall be examined, as to his Proficiency in the degree last taken, in open lodge at a stated or emergent communication, labor being dispensed with if the lodge is open on a degree higher than that on which the candidate is being examined. The examination shall be conducted so that it can be heard by the brethren present.

Amend Regulation 72-01 to read as follows:
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Amend Regulation 90-06 to read as follows:
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2. The Secretary shall during the annual closing of the Lodge of Sorrow read the names of all deceased brethren with dates of birth, initiation, passed, raised, and death.

Amend The Code by adding a new Regulation 90-24 to read as follows:
REGULATION 90-24. A Lodge of Sorrow may be opened and closed annually for the purpose of Masonic Burial Services only as prescribed below:

1. The only business which may be conducted by a Lodge of Sorrow is Masonic Burial Rites for the ensuing year.
2. A Lodge of Sorrow may be opened after the closing of installation of officers, by the newly installed Master, on the Master Masons' degree, and labor dispensed with.
3. At the time of request for Masonic burial services, the Master will call the lodge officers and members to assemble at the required place and time to hold the burial services.
4. The Master, at the assembly point, will call the lodge to order and convey burial instructions to those assembled.
5. The Secretary or Secretary Pro-tem will record the minutes of the Lodge of Sorrow and will read them out for approval at the next stated meeting of the lodge.
6. Labor will be resumed and, a Lodge of Sorrow shall be closed on the Master Masons' degree by the retiring Master before the lodge is opened for installation of new officers for the ensuing year.

7. During the closing of the Lodge of Sorrow all deceased members' names shall be recorded in the final minutes of the Lodge of Sorrow and indicate those members receiving Masonic graveside rites.

PRESENTATION

(Docket No. 40)

M.˙.W.˙.Brother Jerry G. Tart, P.G.M., Representative to the Masonic Service Association, presented M.˙.W.˙.Brother Lester P. Martin, Jr., Grand Master, a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of his support for the Hospital Visitation Program and the Education Program of the Masonic Service Association.

DIRECTOR OF NORTH CAROLINA MASONIC FOUNDATION

(Docket No. 41)

R.˙.W.˙.Brother Robert P. Dudley, Grand Secretary, nominated Brother David B. Wilson as Director of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Incorporated, for a period of five years, expiring in 1997, and upon vote, Brother Wilson was duly elected.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF CODE COMMISSION

(Docket No. 42)

The following supplemental report of the Code Commission was received and entered on the record:

Amend Regulation 32-03 to read as follows:
REGULATION 32-03. Each District Deputy Grand Master shall be a Master. Past Master or Past District Deputy Grand Lecturer. In addition thereto he shall be well skilled in the authorized work of the three degrees of Symbolic Masonry as defined in Chapters 29 and 30, and well informed in the best business practices for Masonic lodges and the law, custom, and usage of the craft in this Grand Jurisdiction, and he shall be and remain a resident of his district and a member of a subordinate lodge therein. (3-01(5); 12-02).

Amend Regulation 38-02(1) by adding subsection (A) to read as follows:
REGULATION 38-02(1A). The Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary shall attend, without the right to vote, all meetings of the Finance Committee. Their duties to the Finance Committee will be to advise and to provide financial information that is available only to them and through them in their official capacity.

Amend Regulation 47-03 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-03. No lodge shall possess jurisdiction over any petitioner for the degrees in Masonry until he shall have been a resident for one year within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina immediately preceding the date of the petition.

Amend Regulation 47-05 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-05. The intent and meaning of the residence is that the petitioner for the degrees in Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction shall, himself, actually be continuously within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge for one year immediately preceding the date of his petition. However, if he

takes occasional trips for business or pleasure outside of this grand jurisdiction for any length of time, but regularly returns to the place from which he sets out, his qualification as to residence will not be affected. This regulation is subject to the provisions of Regulations 47-03, 47-04, and 47-05.

Amend Regulation 47-06 (5). to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-06 (5). Any resident of this state in the armed forces of the United States, may, wherever stationed, petition a lodge for the degrees in this, or any other grand jurisdiction, which may have acquired jurisdiction.

Amend Regulation 47-06 (6) to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-06 (6). The residence of a student attending school is that of his parents if he returns to them during vacations; his attendance at school is presumed to be for a temporary purpose only and without intent to establish a new residence. However, if a students parents live outside of the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and he declares his residence to be at the place where he attends school, and that residence is within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, any lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina may receive his petition, pursuant to Regulation 47-03.

Amend Regulation 47-06 (7) to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-06 (7). Every man has a place of Masonic residence, and it remains such until he makes some other place his Masonic residence,, as provided in Regulation 47-03.

Amend Regulation 47-07 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-07. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 47-15 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-15. A petitioner for the degrees, rejected by a lodge whose charter has been surrendered or revoked, may apply for the degrees to any lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Amend Regulation 47-17 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-17. Obsolete

Amend Regulation 47-18 to read as follows:
REGULATION 47-18. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 48-03 to read as follows:
REGULATION 48-03. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 48-04 to read as follows:
REGULATION 48-04. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 48-05 to read as follows:
REGULATION 48-05. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 48-07 to read as follows:
REGULATION 48-07. In matters where concurrent jurisdiction apply, the first lodge taking jurisdiction over the subject matter retains it to the exclusion of any other lodge in the concurrent jurisdiction.

Amend Regulation 73-02 to read as follows:
REGULATION 73-02. No petition for the degrees shall be received by a lodge from one who has been rejected, within six months after such rejection, except as provided in Regulations 78-06 or 78-08.

Amend Regulation 73-05 (2) to read as follows:
REGULATION 73-05 (2). Addressed to a lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Amend Regulation 73-10 to read as follows:
REGULATION 73-10. When a petition for the degrees is presented and read in open lodge, the Master or lodge may refuse to entertain it and may order it returned to the petitioner; but if such action is not then taken, the Master shall declare that it is received, which declaration shall constitute the act of

receiving the petition by the lodge.

Amend Regulation 73-11 to read as follows:
REGULATION 73-11. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 74-01 (9) to read as follows:
REGULATION 74-01 (9). Have resided within the state for at least one year immediately preceding the date of his petition.

Amend Regulation 74-05 to read as follows:
REGULATION 74-05. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 76-13 to read as follows:
REGULATION 76-13. The ballot of a lodge upon a petitioner for the degrees or an applicant for affiliation who is not qualified, shall be void and of no effect.

Amend Regulation 76-14 to read as follows:
REGULATION 76-14. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 76-23 to read as follows:
REGULATION 76-23. Obsolete.

Amend Regulation 76-29 to read as follows:
REGULATION 76-29. A lodge considering a petition shall be the sole judge of its petitioner's or applicant's qualifications, subject to the law of this Grand Lodge. Protests from a member of another lodge should receive the fullest consideration, but further than that they cannot prevail.

Amend Regulation 78-04 to read as follows:
REGULATION 78-04. No lodge shall receive the petition of one who has been rejected for the degrees within six months from the date of his rejection; but it may thereafter if the petitioner is otherwise qualified.

Amend Regulation 51-10 to read as follows:
REGULATION 51-10. All business shall be transacted in a Master Mason's Lodge, except proficiency examinations and degree work in the first and second degrees, or the discipline of Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts as provided in Chapter 108.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

(Docket No. 43)

The following report of the Committee on Credentials presented the following report, which was read, received, and entered on the record:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Credentials herewith submits its final report, for the 205th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge:

Representatives from 369 Chartered Lodges Present	1,079
Grand Lodge Officers Present (Elective and Appointive	17
Past Grand Masters Present (in addition to Jerry G. Tart, Acting Grand Treasurer, included in Grand Lodge Officers)	15
Members of Boards, Boards of Directors, Commissions and Committees Present (not otherwise listed)	51
District Deputy Grand Masters Present	52
District Deputy Grand Lecturers Present	39
Total Present	1,253

Respectfully submitted,
NORMAN C. MILLER, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPEALS

(Docket No. 44)

The following report of the Committee on Appeals was read by W.·.Brother Earle R. Purser, Chairman, and upon motion duly seconded, was adopted by sections, then adopted as a whole:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

1. We have reviewed the record on all cases which have been completed since the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in 1991 and now pending before the Committee wherein the accused has been expelled under the provisions of Regulation 99-22 of THE CODE of 1948, as amended, and in none of which the accused appealed from the decision of the Judge Advocate. We particularly directed our attention to the strict compliance with the Regulation, and in each of these cases recommend that the decision of the Judge Advocate be affirmed by the Grand Lodge.

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 572: In the matter of charges preferred against W.E.V., a Master Mason, a member of LaFayette Lodge No. 83, A. F. & A. M.

EXPELLED 11 March 1991

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 574: In the matter of charges preferred against T.W.H., Jr., a Master Mason, a member of Lafayette Lodge No. 83, A. F. & A. M.

EXPELLED 4 April 1991

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 576: In the matter of charges preferred against A.M.R., a Master Mason, a member of St. Alban's Lodge No. 114, A. F. & A. M.

EXPELLED 6 May 1991

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 578: In the matter of charges preferred against D.D.J., a Master Mason, a member of Phalanx Lodge No. 31, A. F. & A. M.

EXPELLED 30 January 1992

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 583: In the matter of charges preferred against M.B.K., a Master Mason, a member of Belhaven Lodge No. 509, A. F. & A. M.

EXPELLED 16 December 1991

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 584: In the matter of charges preferred against R.E.L., a Master Mason, a member of Allen-Graham Lodge No. 695, A. F. & A. M.

EXPELLED 23 January 1992

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 581: In the matter of charges preferred against W.L.C., a Master Mason, a member of Widow's Son Lodge No. 519, A. F. & A. M.

EXPELLED 10 September 1991

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 587: In the matter of charges preferred against R.L.M., a Master Mason, a member of Cabarrus Lodge No. 720, A. F. & A. M.

EXPELLED 6 March 1992

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 588: In the matter of charges preferred against R.L.P., a Master Mason, a member of Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M.

EXPELLED 11 March 1992

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 590: In the matter of charges preferred against T.K.K., a Master Mason, a member of Henderson Lodge No. 229, A. F. & A. M.

EXPELLED 13 April 1992

2. We have examined and carefully reviewed all cases which have been completed since the Annual Communication in 1991 and now pending before

the Committee in which the penalty was expulsion, and in which none of the accused appealed from the decision of the Trial Commission. We directed our attention to the validity of the appointment of the Commission and the service upon the accused. We have examined the competency and weight of the evidence before the Trial Commission, and the decision of the Trial Commission, all in accordance with the Regulation of the Grand Lodge as contained in Chapters 96-104, inclusive, of THE CODE as amended to date. The Committee approves the decision of the Trial Commission in the following cases and recommends that the judgement of the Trial Commission in each case be affirmed by the Grand Lodge.

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 577: In the matter of charges preferred against D.G.P., a Master Mason, a member of Holland Memorial Lodge No. 668, A. F. & A. M.

This Brother was properly tried by a duly constituted Trial Commission on 9 August 1991, and found guilty. The penalty was expulsion.

This Committee recommends that the findings and the penalty imposed by the Trial Commission be upheld.

3. We have carefully reviewed all cases which have been completed since the Annual Communication in 1991 and now pending before the Committee in which the penalty imposed was not expulsion but a lessor penalty. We find that all the rules, notices and procedures were complied with, and there is ample evidence on which to base the decision and penalty of the Trial Commission.

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 582: In the matter of charges preferred against C.L.G., a Master Mason, a member of Creasey Proctor Lodge No. 679, A. F. & A. M.

This Brother was tried by a Trial Commission on 8 November 1991. The penalty was a reprimand in open lodge on 12 November 1991, by a past Grand Master.

This Committee recommends that the findings and penalty imposed by the Trial Commission be upheld.

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 579: In the matter of charges preferred against A.C.L., Jr., a Master Mason, a member of Neill S. Stewart Lodge No. 556, A. F. &. A. M.

This Brother was tried before a Trial Commission on 27 August 1991. The penalty was a suspension for a period of two years and the brother is to be automatically reinstated on 27 August 1993.

This Committee recommends that the findings and penalty of the Trial Commission be upheld.

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 580: In the matter of charges preferred against B.E.J., a Master Mason, a member of Lillington Lodge No. 302, A. F. & A. M.

The accused Brother was tried by a duly constituted Trial Commission on 1 October 1991. The Trial Commission found the Brother guilty of the charges which were imposed against him and imposed suspension for a period of six months. The period of suspension expired on 1 April 1992.

This Committee fully agrees with the action of the Trial Commission and recommends that its findings be upheld.

4. The Appeals Commission considered two (2) cases in which the Judge Advocate found no probable cause for trial and, therefore, refused to entertain the complaint. The complainant was apparently not satisfied with the decision of the Judge Advocate and indicated he wished to appeal to the Committee on Appeals.

We have thoroughly considered the action of the Judge Advocate and recommend that the action of the Judge Advocate be upheld.

5. In the matter of charges preferred against F.B.H., a Master Mason, a

member of Keystone Lodge No. 726, A. F. & A. M., this case was docketed as case No. 575. Charges were preferred against the Brother on 12 February 1991.

The Judge Advocate refused to place the accused on trial as he deemed the evidence insufficient.

This Commission approved the action of the Judge Advocate and recommends that the same be upheld.

6. There were three (3) Master Masons who were placed on trial for various offenses. In each of the following cases, there was a finding by the Trial Commission of not guilty. In none of these cases did the complainants appeal. These cases are as follows:

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 589: In the matter of charges preferred against B.R.H., a Master Mason, a member of Lexington Lodge No. 473, A. F. & A. M.

TRIAL DOCKET NO. 586: In the matter of charges preferred against C.E.M., JR, a Master Mason, a member of Palmyra Lodge No. 147, A. F. & A. M.

TRIAL DOCKET No. 585: In the matter of charges preferred against T.H.L., a Master Mason, a member of Palmyra Lodge No. 147, A. F. & A. M.

In each of the above cases, the Committee recommends that the actions of the Trial Committee be upheld.

7. There were no petitions for reinstatement filed since the last annual communication.

RESPECTFULLY submitted this 21st day of April, 1992.

EARLE R. PURSER, *Chairman*
LLOYD YOUNG
SILAS D. FULLER
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ELECTION OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

The Grand Master announced that the time for the election of officers of the Grand Lodge had arrived, and he appointed as tellers the District Deputy Grand Masters.

The election resulted as follows:

Grand Master ..... Ray Norris, P.M.
(259) Hendersonville

Deputy Grand Master ..... Richard Groves Moore, P.M.
(544) Denver

Senior Grand Warden ..... William Bailey Brunk, P.M.
(40) Raleigh

Junior Grand Warden ..... Clifton White Everett, Jr., P.M.
(708) Greenville

Grand Treasurer ..... Jerry Graham Tart, P.G.M.
(542) Greensboro

Grand Secretary ..... Robert Pete Dudley, P.M.
(202) Raleigh

RESOLUTION
GRAND TREASURER EMERITUS

(Docket)

The following Resolution to award Most Worshipful Brother Sam A. Hennis, Jr., Past Grand Master, Past Grand Treasurer,

the title of Grand Treasurer Emeritus was read by Most Worshipful Brother Jerry G. Tart, Past Grand Master, received, entered on the record, and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Most Worshipful Sam A. Hennis, Jr., Past Grand Master, member and Past Master of Granite Lodge No. 322, has served this Grand Lodge for over thirty-five years as Grand Master, Grand Treasurer, member of the Finance Committee, and various other committees, boards and commissions, and

WHEREAS, he has persevered in the faithful performance of his duties, in all stations, with enthusiasm, humility and good will, and

WHEREAS, he has been committed to the tenet that all men are created equal and that all Masons walk upon the level and work upon the square, and

WHEREAS, he has steadfastly held to this tenet, continually seeking ways to improve the financial structure of our Grand Lodge, keeping foremost the financial abilities of the subordinate lodges in mind;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina, in appreciation for his years of most distinguished and faithful service to Freemasonry, hereby declare

MOST WORSHIPFUL SAM A. HENNIS, JR.
GRAND TREASURER EMERITUS
THE GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF NORTH CAROLINA

RESOLUTION ON FUND RAISING

(Docket No. 46)

The following Resolution was re-read by R.·.W.·.William B. Brunk, J.G.W. a motion was duly made and seconded to adopt this Resolution. After discussion, the Resolution was REJECTED:

WHEREAS, The Oxford Orphanage and The Masonic and Eastern Star Home are the pride of North Carolina Masonic Charities, and

WHEREAS, the financial position of these charities are in dire need of improvement, and

WHEREAS, a major portion of the income of these charities comes directly from voluntary contributions from the Masons of North Carolina and The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, and

WHEREAS, several Grand Masters in recent years have recommended a full time professional fund raiser be employed to coordinate the fund raising efforts of our Masonic charities and the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, and

WHEREAS, a committee appointed by Grand Master Lester P. Martin, Jr., composed of several knowledgeable members of our Craft, came to a similar conclusion, and

WHEREAS, a well known and experienced consultant in the field of fund raising, Mr. Edwin H. Story of Spartanburg, South Carolina, has made a study of our fund raising efforts and has recommended that we establish and promote a North Carolina Masonic Development Program to coordinate and assist in our charitable fund raising efforts, and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of such a program would be approximately $125,000 per year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of General Purposes be, and is hereby authorized to establish the North Carolina Masonic Development Program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the funds necessary to pay the

operating cost be shared equally between The Oxford Orphanage, The Masonic and Eastern Star Home and The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of General Purposes shall make an annual report to this Grand Lodge as to the effectiveness of this program, and no later than the Annual Communication in 1997 shall recommend to this Grand Lodge whether the program should be terminated or continued on a permanent basis.

FINAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

(Docket No. 47)

The following report of the Board of General Purposes was read and adopted including the election of members of the Board of Directors of Oxford Orphanage, Inc. and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Incorporated:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of General Purposes has had regular meetings pursuant to the provisions of The Code, such meetings have been held on June 14, 1991; September 13, 1991; January 10, 1992; January 31, 1992; March 13, 1992; and April 20, 1992.

The June, January 10th and March meetings were held in the Grand Lodge Executive Office Building, Raleigh, North Carolina, and the April meeting was held at the Radisson Plaza Hotel, Raleigh, North Carolina. The September meeting was held at the Scottish Rite Temple, Charlotte, North Carolina. The January 31, 1992 meeting was held at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Greensboro, North Carolina.

At each meeting of the Board., reports were made by the Grand Master, the Grand Treasurer, the Grand Secretary, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, the President of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., and by other members of the Board of General Purposes relative to the various activities of the Grand Lodge.

At the meeting on April 20, 1992, action was taken relative to the distribution of the Report of the Grand Master, the several sections of the same being referred to the appropriate, Board Committee or Commissions.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF OXFORD ORPHANAGE, INC.

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulations 33-04, as amendedApril 21, 1976, the Board nominates the following members of the Board of Directors of the Oxford Orphanage, Inc., with terms expiring as shown:

1995—Leslie H. Garner, P.G.M. (708)
1995—Ralph P. Presley, P.M. (118)
1995—Frederick S. Daniels, Sr., P.M. (117)

(Note: Clifton W. Everett, Jr., P.M. (708), Junior Grand Warden-elect as an observer.) (Note: The nominations were **unanimously** confirmed by the Grand Lodge.)

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulations 33-04(a), as

amended April 21, 1976, the Board nominates the following members of the Board of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Inc., with terms expiring as shown:

1995—Forrest F. Ball, P.M., CL (293)

1995—James B. Soesbee, P.M. (S-453)

1995—James S. Loftin (31)

(Note: Clifton W. Everett, Jr., P.M. (708), Junior Grand Warden-elect as an observer.) (Note: The nominations were **unanimously** confirmed by the Grand Lodge.)

JUDGE ADVOCATE

The Grand Master-elect nominates Ronnie Stewart, P.M. (740) as Judge Advocate for a term of two (2) years, expiring in 1994.

(Note: The nomination was **unanimously** confirmed by the Grand Lodge.)

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The Grand Master nominates Norburn C. Hyatt, P.G.M. (118) and C. James Weisel, P.M. (32) as members of the Board of General Purposes for terms of three (3) years, expiring in 1995.

(Note: The nominations were **unanimously** confirmed by the Grand Lodge.)

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

The Grand Master-elect nominates Jerry G. Tart, P.G.M. (542) as Representative to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

(Note: The nomination was **unanimously** confirmed by the Grand Lodge.)

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION

The Grand Master-elect nominates Jerry G. Tart, P.G.M. (542) as Representative to the Masonic Service Association.

(Note: The nomination was **unanimously** confirmed by the Grand Lodge.)

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS

The Grand Master-elect appoints E. Floyd Dunn, P.M., CL (550) and Wayne Black, P.M., CL (719) as members of the Board of Custodians for terms three (3) years expiring in 1994.

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS

The Grand Master-elect nominates Silas D. Fuller, P.M.

(230) as a member of the Committee on Appeals for a term of five (5) years, expiring in 1997.

(Note: The nomination was **unanimously** confirmed by the Grand Lodge.)

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulations 35-A-01, as amended April 19, 1989, The Grand Master-elect appoints the following members of the Committee on Masonic Research and Development, with terms expiring as shown:

1995—D. Mark Hood, P.M. (208)

1995—Vivian Green, P.M., CL (550)

1995—Charles T. Robbins, P.M. (542)

COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LODGE SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 36-A-01, as amended April 20, 1988, the Board nominates the following members of the Committee on Subordinate Lodge Special Activities, with terms expiring as shown:

1995—L. David Moser, P.M. (261)

(Note: The nomination was **unanimously** confirmed by the Grand Lodge.)

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 38-01, as amended April 21, 1976, the Grand Master-elect nominates the following members of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence for terms expiring as shown:

1995—D. Gray Thomas, P.M. (162)

1995—Jearold L. Stiles, P.M. (146)

1995—Galard C. Moore, P.M. (244)

1995—Alton L. Strickland, P.M. (40)

(Note: The nominations were **unanimously** confirmed by the Grand Lodge.)

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 38-02, as amended April 21, 1976, the Grand Master-elect nominates the following members of the Committee on Finance for terms expiring as shown:

1995—Eugene W. Vosecky, Sr., P.M. (S-358)

1995—Robert C. Vaughn (31)

1995—William G. Mathis, P.M. (138)

(Note: The nominations were **unanimously** confirmed by the Grand Lodge.)

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE GRAND MASTER-ELECT

William H. Simpson, P.M. (428) ..... *Senior Grand Deacon*
Gerry T. Smith, Sr., P.M. (741) ..... *Junior Grand Deacon*
Thomas W. Gregory, P.M. (27) ..... *Grand Marshal*
Charles M. Ingram, P.M. ..... *Grand Steward*
Charles E. Cathey, P.M. (472) ..... *Grand Steward*
Carl McCracken, Jr., P.M. (259) ..... *Grand Tyler*
Kenneth H. Sitton (387) ..... *Grand Chaplain*
Reynold S. Davenport, P.M., CL (680) ..... *Grand Historian*
James O. Hartman, CL (594) ..... *Grand Lecturer*
James G. Martin (31) ..... *Grand Orator*

THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MASON

On nomination, duly seconded, James E. Stratton (759) was elected by the Board of General Purposes as a member of the Board of Publication for a term of five (5) years, expiring in 1997, and Reynold S. Davenport, P.M., CL (680) for a term of one (1) year, expiring in 1993.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

The Grand Master-elect appoints sixty-five (65) District Deputy Grand Masters to serve the 65 Masonic Districts of North Carolina for the Masonic year 1992-93.

(Note: For a list of District Deputy Grand Masters, see Page 18 of these Proceedings.)

LESTER P. MARTIN, JR. GRAND MASTER

Little did Brother Lester realize on March 15, 1946, when he was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason by his grandfather, Frank Bahnson, that one day the purple of our fraternity would rest upon his honored shoulders. Nor did he realize in 1965, as he was being installed as Master of Mocksville Lodge No. 134 by P.G.M. Giles Hudson, that in 1991-92 he would serve as Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina. Nonetheless, true to his Masonic philosophy, through the years he has promoted and preserved Freemasonry by practicing faithfully the cardinal principles of the Order. His example has inspired and encouraged numerous others to do the same.

Not simply because Brother Lester belongs to a "rare and unpretentious breed of humanity in Davie County." Not simply because his years of youth offered him some of life's better opportunities. Not simply because of his many activities in his community, church, and fraternity. Not simply because of his years of experience in the courtroom and on judicial bench. Not simply one of these, but all of these prepared Brother Lester to stand tall among men and Masons.

"Everything in proper perspective, true and just," could well be the motto during his term as Grand Master. Being Grand Master of Masons calls forth the best a man is and the best a man can do. Being chairman of boards, advising committees, overseeing institutions, counseling individuals requires the best of talents from the best of men. Brother Lester is one of the best, and he has given the fraternity his best. For most Masons this is enough.

With a clever and fascinating sense of humor the Grand Master created an environment at his district meetings that opened the floodgate for laughter, and for conducting serious business as well. He met "on the level" with all of us. We felt at ease in his presence, felt free to share our concerns about Freemasonry.

Presiding at the various board meetings offered little challenge for our Grand Master; for presiding has been the business of his adult life. His keen mind offered exact insight into ideas and issues. He kept them in proper perspective. Never rushing the procedure, he guided ideas and issues through their intricate course to reach their fruition in their own time and in their own way.

Most Masons at most any level of Masonic activity have these past twelve months felt the impact of the calm, stable, and wise leadership of our Grand Master. We have been led truthfully and justly through the labyrinth of our various fraternal responsibilities. We are most appreciative and are deeply grateful for our friend and Brother, Most Worshipful Brother Lester P. Martin, Jr.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of General Purposes

LABOR DISPENSED WITH

The minutes were read by the Grand Secretary and approved. Labor was dispensed with. The Deputy Grand Master announced that the installation of the Grand Lodge Officers would be held at 2:30 P.M. on Wednesday, April 22, 1992, in the Masonic Temple, 1520 Caswell Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.

OPEN INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22, 1992, in the Masonic Temple, Raleigh, North Carolina by Most Worshipful Brother Lester P. Martin, Jr. The following officers were duly installed in a Ceremony of Open Installation by Most Worshipful Brother Norburn C. Hyatt, P.G.M., Installing Officer, assisted by Most Worshipful Brother Walter F. McCall, P.G.M., as Grand Marshal. Brother David Grissom was the Installing Chaplain and Brother D. Windell Cunningham was Installing Organist:

Grand Master ..... Ray Norris, P.M
(259) Hendersonville

Deputy Grand Master ..... Richard Groves Moore, P.M.
(544) Denver

Senior Grand Warden ..... William Bailey Brunk, P.M.
(40) Raleigh

Junior Grand Warden ..... Clifton White Everett, Jr., P.M.
(708) Greenville

Grand Treasurer ..... Jerry Graham Tart, P.G.M.
(542) Greensboro

Grand Secretary ..... Robert Pete Dudley, P.M.
(202) Raleigh

Senior Grand Deacon ..... William Henry Simpson
(428) Greensboro

Junior Grand Deacon ..... Gerry Theodore Smith, Sr., P.M.
(741) Beaufort

Grand Marshal ..... Thomas Warren Gregory
(27) Statesville

Grand Steward ..... Charles Marshall Ingram, P.M.
(13) Kenansville

Grand Steward ..... Charles Edward Cathey, P.M.
(472) Canton

Grand Tyler ..... Carl McCracken, Jr., P.M.
(259) Waynesville

Grand Chaplain ..... Kenneth Harold Sitton
(387) Lake Toxaway

PAST GRAND MASTER'S JEWEL PRESENTED M.˙.W.˙.LESTER POINDEXTER MARTIN, JR.

A Past Grand Master's Jewel was presented to Most Worshipful Brother Lester Poindexter Martin, Jr., P.G.M., by Most Worshipful Brother I. Boyd Hopkins. Brother Hopkins congratulated Brother Martin on an outstanding year as Grand Master, and thanked him for his splendid contribution to Masonry in North Carolina.

GRAND MASTER'S FEZ PRESENTED TO M.˙.W.˙.RAY NORRIS

A Grand Master's Fez was presented to Most Worshipful Brother Ray Norris, Grand Master, by Noble Herbert Blankenship, Chief Rabban of Oasis Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.

PAST GRAND MASTER'S FEZ PRESENTED TO M.˙.W.˙.LESTER POINDEXTER MARTIN, JR.

A Past Grand Master's Fez was presented to Most Worshipful Brother Lester P. Martin, Jr., P.G.M. by Noble Herbert Blankenship, Chief Rabban of Oasis Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.

INSTALLATION REMARKS RAY NORRIS

Brethren of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

You have this day elevated me to the highest and most important office of Masonry in North Carolina. It is with a deep sense of humility and a heart full of gratitude to all the masons of North Carolina for their confidence in electing me to the office of Grand Master. I accept the challenge to serve each and every mason in this Grand Jurisdiction with all my being and with a prayer to Almighty God to give me the strength and guidance to that which is right in His sight and for the betterment of Freemasonry. Brethren, I thank you for the trust you have bestowed upon me, and I will, forever, be indebted.

To my many friends, brothers and sisters, many who have traveled long distances from the East, West, North and South and interrupted their busy schedules to witness this 205th Installation of the Officers of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina, we are indeed grateful and most appreciative of your presence. You have honored us greatly. I thank you. Please permit me to pay special tribute to those present from my home areas, Hendersonville, Asheville and Waynesville, North Carolina. You are special, and I thank you for your interest and support. Waynesville Lodge No. 259, Waynesville, North Carolina, I am forever indebted and grateful for your many contributions and personal support over the years. Now, you have honored me again with your participation in this installation. To a great extent, you are responsible for the great honor bestowed upon me this day. They will proceed to close this Grand Lodge in my behalf after the conclusion of this ceremony.

My vocabulary will not permit me to extend my deep felt gratitude and eternal thanks to Most Worshipful Norburn C. Hyatt, Past Grand Master for appointing me Grand Steward in 1985. You have been a guiding light and a cornerstone during my masonic career. With God's help, I shall not forget "THE BASICS OF FREEMASONRY."

I am indeed grateful and appreciative to Past Grand Master Norburn C. Hyatt for serving as Installing Officer, Past Grand Master Walter F. McCall for serving as Installing Marshal, Past Master Robert C. Graybeal for serving as Installing Secretary, Reverend and Brother David Grissom for serving as Installing Chaplain and Brother Windell Cunningham for serving as Installing Organist. I thank each of you for your excellence and the honor you have extended to me. To Miss Wendy Camp, Grand Worthy Advisor, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls in North Carolina, I thank you for sharing with us your beautiful and talented voice. Your participating with Brother Cunningham was very meaningful to the Installation Ceremony.

To bring about a smooth and professional transition from one masonic year to another is an awesome undertaking, but under the leadership of Right Worshipful Robert P. Dudley, Grand Secretary, and his staff, we have experienced excellence unsurpassed. Pete, for this, I am very pleased, and I thank you, Walt and the ladies in the office.

To the Sisters of Garner Chapter No. 321, Order of the Eastern Star, Jean and I are very appreciative of all your work and attention for a well-prepared and beautiful reception. A special thanks goes to Sister Louise Langley for her special attention and expertise.

I would like to introduce to you the wife of our newly appointed Grand Steward, Ava Jean Cathey.

Now, permit me to introduce my family members present and, who through the years have been very supportive and considerate in my masonic activities. My younger daughter, Renee' and her husband Craig Reed; a daughter, Deborah, who has been very helpful in my preparation for this year; and my younger son, Michael and his wife Leslie and their two sons, Russell and Graham. The lady that I will introduce next has been and is the woman of my life, an excellent mother and a loving and supporting wife, my wife, Jean. Great credit goes to her for my accomplishments.

During this year we want to pause and take a serious and in-depth inventory of the past, present and future with greater concentration on the future. To a great extent, we enjoy today the efforts and labors of our forefathers. It is only proper and a duty as Freemasons that we prepare and make a contribution for future generations. Yes, WE are "BUILDERS OF THE FUTURE."

As we visit each of our sixty-five masonic districts, it is my desire to share with the 67,000 masons some of the pressing challenges that deserve our attention and responsible acts to resolve the urgent needs in preparation for the future. We must continue to search for excellence. Here is a challenge with unlimited scope resulting into our greatest contribution to the future of Freemasonry and mankind. . .

The future of Oxford Orphanage and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home demands our attention. Now, these two excellent institutions, second to none, are in our hands today asking for the support of the total craft to meet their needs at the present time and those future requirements which we foresee. The involvement is for ALL, you and I, with our best in leadership, time talents and resources.

The next generations are dependent on us. We are the builders and with the help of God, we shall complete our mission. Let us move forward with the realization and satisfaction that our true search and works for the future is "LET THERE BE LIGHT." May God richly bless each of us, you and I, and the greatest Fraternity the world has ever known.

After the benediction by our Grand Chaplain, Brother Kenneth H. Sitton and Miss Wendy Camp, I invite each of you to join us for the reception. Again , thank you for honoring us with your presence.

SECOND DAY — AFTERNOON SESSION

Labor was resumed in the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22, 1992 in the Masonic Temple of Raleigh, 1520 Caswell Street, Raleigh, North Carolina by Worshipful Brother William H. Winchester, Master of Waynesville Lodge No. 259.

The minutes for the previous session were read for information.

GRAND LODGE CLOSED IN DUE FORM

There being no further business to come before the Grand Lodge, the minutes were read and approved and the Grand Lodge was closed in Due Form by Worshipful Brother William H. Winchester, Master of Waynesville Lodge No. 259.

Ray Morris

Grand Master

ATTEST:

I certify that the foregoing Proceedings are a true and correct record of the official transactions of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, at the communicatin held on April 21-22, 1992, and that they were prepared by me from the detailed minutes of that Communication, and were published under my supervision.

Robert P. Dudley

Grand Secretary

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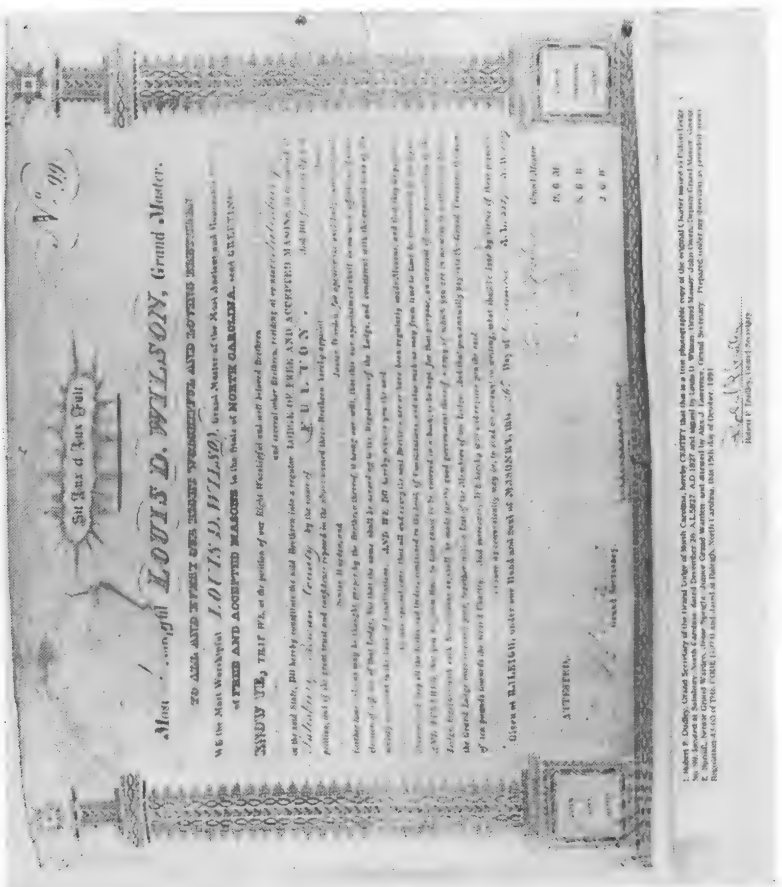

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FULTON LODGE NO. 99

ROSTER OF AWARDS OF JOSEPH MONTFORT MEDALS
ESTABLISHED 1940
(ARRANGED ACCORDING TO DATE AWARDED)

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1940

*M.˙.W.˙.Melvin Maynard Johnson, Past Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts

*M.˙.W.˙.John Huske Anderson, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of North Carolina

*M.˙.W.˙.Thomas Joshua Harkins, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1941

*M.˙.W.˙.Raymond Cromwell Dunn, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.˙.W.˙.Charles Bailey Newcomb, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.˙.W.˙.John Edward Allen, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1942

*M.˙.W.˙.William Moseley Brown, Past Grand Master of Masons in Virginia

*M.˙.W.˙.Alexander Boyd Andrews, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.˙.W.˙.William Ritchie Smith, Past Master, Raleigh Lodge No. 500, A. F. & A. M.

1943

*M.˙.W.˙.Herbert Claude Alexander, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, Grand Treasurer of The Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of North Carolina

*M.˙.W.˙.Watson Newberry Sherrod, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.˙.W.˙.Charles Patterson Eldridge, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1944

*M.˙.W.˙.Hubert McNeill Poteat, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.˙.W.˙.James Giles Hudson, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*W.˙.Creasy Kinion Proctor, Past Master, Hiram Lodge No. 40, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

1945

*M.˙.W.˙.John Henry Cowles, Past Grand Master of Masons in Kentucky

*M.˙.W.˙.Edgar Walter Timberlake, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*W.˙.F. W. Moody White, Past Master, Royal White Hart Lodge No. 2, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

1946

*M.˙.W.˙.John Wallace Winborne, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.˙.W.˙.James Edward Shipman, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*Deceased

*M.·.W.·.JULIUS C. HOBBS, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1947

*M.·.W.·.CARL HARRY CLAUDY, Past Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia, and Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association of the United States

*BROTHER GEORGE RICHARD BENNETTE, Superintendent of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of N. C., Inc.

*R.·.W.·.WILBUR LEROY MCIVER, Past Master, Grand Secretary of The Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of North Carolina

1948

*W.·.JOHN RAYMOND SHUTE, Past Master, North Carolina Lodge of Research No. 666, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.ROGER KEITH, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts

*R.·.W.·.MAXWELL ELLIS HOFFMAN, Deputy Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of North Carolina

1949

*M.·.W.·.LUTHER THOMPSON HARTSELL, JR., Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.WILLIAM JAMES BUNDY, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*W.·.JOHN RUFUS MCCRACKEN, Past Master, Waynesville Lodge No. 259, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

1950

*M.·.W.·.JAMES WALKER PAYNE, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*BROTHER FRANK MULLEN PINNIX, Editor of The Orphan's Friend and Masonic Journal

*M.·.W.·.OLIVER FRANKLIN HART, Past Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of A.F.M., South Carolina

1951

*W.·.FRED CLINTON KINZIE, Grand Lecturer of The Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of North Carolina

*W.·.HUGH WILLIAMSON PRINCE, Past Master, Palmyra Lodge No. 147, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.ENOCH DORRAN FLOWERS, Past Grand Master of Masons in Virginia

1952

*M.·.W.·.WALLACE EVERETT CALDWELL, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*W.·.HARRISON KAUFFMAN, Past Master, Hiram Lodge No. 40, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*W.·.SAMUEL NEWMAN BOYCE, Past Master, Gastonia Lodge No. 369, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

1953

*M.·.W.·.HERBERT MILES FOY, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*W.·.EDWIN WALKER YATES, Past Master, William G. Hill Lodge No. 218, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.JAMES NOAH HILLMAN, Past Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Virginia

1954

*M.·.W.·.WILLIAM HENRY WHITE, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.RUDOLPH REYNOLDS COOKE, Past Grand Master of Masons in Virginia

*Deceased

*Brother Claude Babington Squires, Member of Joppa Lodge No. 530, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

1955

*M.·.W.·.Edwin Turlington Howard, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*W.·.A. D. Leon Gray, Past Master, Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage

*W.·.John Edward Rooker, Jr., Past Master, Johnston Caswell Lodge No. 10, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

1956

*R·.W.·.John H. Parker, Secretary-Recorder of the Grand York Rite Bodies of North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.A. J. M. Wannamaker, Past Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina

*M.·.W.·.Robert Lee Pugh, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1957

*M.·.W.·.Charles Harrison Pugh, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.Henry Fitzhugh Collins, Past Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of A.F.M. of South Carolina

*W.·.Charles Trenholm McClenaghan, Past Master, William G. Hill Lodge No. 218, A. F. & A. M., of North Carolina

1958

*M.·.W.·.John Catlett Vance, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*Ill.·.Frank S. Land, Founder and Secretary-General of the Order of DeMolay

*W.·.Leon Godown, Past Master of Stokes Lodge No. 32, A. F. & A. M., and Editor of *The Orphans' Friend and Masonic Journal, North Carolina*

1959

*M.·.W.·.John Irving Smith, Past Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina

*W.·.Adam Andrew Husman, Past Master of Hiram Lodge No. 40, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

1960

*M.·.W.·.Luther A. Smith, Past Grand Master of Masons in Mississippi

*M.·.W.·.James Guy Johnston, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*W.·.Norwood Price Parker, Past Master, Hiram Lodge No. 98, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

1961

*W.·.Percy Clifton Stott, Past Master, Wendell Lodge No. 565, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*W.·.Haywood Sherrill King, Sr., Past Master, Wilmington Lodge No. 319, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*W.·.Berl Maurice Kahn, Past Master, Wayne Lodge No. 112, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*W.·.Thomas Milton Funk, Past Master, Mooresville Lodge No. 496, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.Charles Anderson Harris, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of North Carolina

1962

*M.·.W.·.Harvey Ward Smith, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*Deceased

BROTHER TROY GARREN ROBBINS, Superintendent of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of N. C., Inc.

*M.·.W.·.HARRY S. TRUMAN, Past Grand Master of Masons in Missouri

*W.·.RICHARD HARVEY LUCAS, Past Master, Perseverance Lodge No. 59, A. F. & A. M., Plymouth, North Carolina

*BROTHER JAMES JAY GILBERT, a member of Greenville Lodge No. 284, A. F. & A. M., Greenville, North Carolina

1963

*M.·.W.·.THOMAS EARL DOSS, Past Grand Master of Masons in Tennessee and Grand Secretary in Tennessee

M.·.W.·.JAMES WOODROW BREWER, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina and Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*W.·.HERBERT NOBLE, Past Master, John A. Nichols Lodge No. 650, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*W.·.RUEBEN BARNITZ, Past Master, Secretary of Mount Hermon Lodge No. 188, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*W.·.LLOYD WOOLLEY, Secretary of Southern Pines Lodge No. 484, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

1964

*M.·.W.·.CHARLES CARPENTER RICKER, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.WILLIAM ELI HAND, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.ANDREW J. WHITE, JR., Past Grand Master of Masons in Ohio and Grand Secretary in Ohio

*M.·.W.·.SAMUEL W. MCINTOSH, Past Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia

*M.·.W.·.MARTIN H. KINSINGER, Past Grand Master of Masons in Maryland

1965

*M.·.W.·.WILLIAM EDWARD BURRIER, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT, Past Grand Master of Masons in Maine

*W.·.MARION TILLET ROSS, Past Master of St. John's Lodge No. 1, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

W.·.HERBERT DELNO HOLLAND, Past Master of Asheboro Lodge No. 699, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*W.·.JOHN D. CUNNINGHAM, former Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association

1966

*W.·.LOUIS PHILIP GUIGOU, Past Master of Lovelady Lodge No. 670, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

*W.·.EARLEY WINFRED BRIDGES, Past Master of Greensboro Lodge No. 76, A. F. & A. M., North Carolina

Ill.·.HARRY MILLER BRYANT, SR., Past Potentate, Oasis Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.

*R.·.W.·.ROBERT NORMAN BASS, JR., Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina

*M.·.W.·.GEORGE DUDLEY HUMPHREY, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*Deceased

1967

*W.·.James Paul Kelly, Past Master of Sparta Lodge No. 423, District Deputy Grand Master, 49th Masonic District, North Carolina

W.·.Edgar Floyd Dunn, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

M.·.W.·.Samuel Andrew Hennis, Jr., Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1968

W.·.Reynold Slade Davenport, Pst Master of Semper Fidelis Lodge No. 680, Past District Deputy Grand Master

W.·.Charles Taylor Potter, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina

*W.·.Edward Paul, Past Master of Doric Lodge No. 568

1969

*W.·.Emery B. Denny, Past Master of Holland Memorial Lodge NO. 668, Judge Advocate of Grand Lodge of North Carolina

*W.·.Edward Denny Austin, Past Master of Greenville Lodge No. 284

*M.·.W.·.Alfred Albrecht Kafer, Jr., Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1970

*M.·.W.·.Arnold J. Koonce, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*W.·.Fred F. Harding, Grand Tyler of Grand Lodge of North Carolina

W.·.Robert P. Dudley, Past Master of Cleveland Lodge No. 202, Asst. to the Grand Secretary of Grand Lodge of North Carolina

1971

W.·.Ira Boyd Hopkins, Past Master of Elkin Lodge No. 454, District Education Chairman of 47th District

*M.·.W.·.William Arthur Hooks, Paast Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*W.·.Thomas Gorbell Slate, Past Master of Phoenix Lodge No. 8, Past District Deputy Grand Master

1972

W.·.A. C. Honeycutt, Past Master of Hiram Lodge No. 40

*W.·.William T. Hatch, Past Master of Millbrook Lodge No. 97, Judge Advocate of Grand Lodge of North Carolina

M.·.W.·.Maurice E. Walsh, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1973

*W.·.Kedar D. Pyatt, Past Master of Wayne Lodge No. 112

*M.·.W.·.William W. Mims, Jr., Pastt Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*W.·.Earl M. Noe, Past Master of Franklin Lodge No. 109

1974

*W.·.Nelson B. Banks, Past Master of Berne Lodge No. 724, Recorder, Sudan Temple

W.·.William K. Price, Past Master of Excelsior Lodge No. 261, Past Grand Lecturer of Masons in North Carolina

*Brother Russell G. Laughridge, Secretary of Cleveland Lodge No. 202

1975

M.·.W.·.Louis W. Shrier, Past Master of St. John's Lodge No. 1

W.·.Emett D. Chandler, Past Master of Mt. Hermon Lodge No. 118

*Deceased

*W.·.Wilbourne M. Smith, Past Master of Eureka Lodge No. 317

1976

*R.·.W.·.James Earl Watson, Deputy Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina

W.·.William Edmund Fulmer, Past Master of Snow Lodge No. 363, Past District Deputy Grand Master

*Brother Jesse Richard Laughinhuse, Member of Crown Point Lodge No. 708

1977

R.·.W.·.James W. Stubbs, Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England

*W.·.Joseph W. Gilbert, Pst Master and Past Secretary of Grifton Lodge No. 243

*Brother Karl M. Linville, Member of Kernersville Lodge No. 669

1978

M.·.W.·.S. Frank Noble, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

M.·.W.·.Leslie H. Garner, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

Brother Marvin D. Wilson, Grand Tyler of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina

1979

W.·.Brother Richard Joseph Parker, Jr., Past Master, Excelsior Lodge No. 261

W.·.Brother Kolen Flack, Past Master of Oconee Lodge No. 427, Grand Lecturer of The Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

W.·.Brother Robert Lee Winston, Past Master of Adoniram Lodge No. 149, Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage

1980

*M.·.W.·.William L. Mills, Jr., Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

*W.·.William A. Langley, Past Master of Garner Lodge No. 701, Past District Deputy Grand Master

*W.·.Brother John E. Herschleb, Member of Excelsior Lodge No. 261

1981

M.·.W.·.Nathaniel C. Dean, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

M.·.W.·.William B. Bellois, Passt Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

W.·.Brother William s. Aldridge, Jr., Past Master of Stanly Lodge No. 348

1982

(None presented because of the death of
Grand Master Nelson B. Banks.)

1983

R.·.W.·.Cecil J. Liverman, Deputy Grand Master, The Grand Lodge of North Carolina

W.·.Charles E. Scott, Jr., Past Master of Salem Lodge No. 289

W.·.Otto Neustadt, Past Master of Hiram Lodge No. 40

1984

W.·.Albert e. Hill, Past Master and Secretary of American George Lodge No. 17

W.·.Tyree J. Callihan, ast Master and Secretary of Royal Hart Lodge No. 497

W.·.David Ford, Past Master of Oxford Lodge No. 122

1985

*R.·.W.·.Eddie P. Stiles, Jr., Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina

*Deceased

W.˙.Allen G. Colenda, Past Master, Oxford Lodge No. 122

W.˙.Frederick G. Speidel, Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina

1986

M.˙.W.˙.Everette Stansil Aldridge, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

M.˙.W.˙.Jacob Claude Goodman, Jr., Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

W.˙.Dewey James O'Kelley, Past Master of Mount Hermon Lodge No. 118

1987

*W.˙.Robert Weldon Adams, Past Mster of Joppa Lodge No. 530

W.˙.Durwood Scott Weston, Past Master of Orr Lodge No. 104

W.˙.James Beauford Kiser, Past Master of Friendship Lodge No. 700

1988

Brother David Bryan Sentelle, Member of Excelsior Lodge No. 261

Brother Travis Bryan Cox, Member of Oxford Lodge No. 122

W.˙.Tommy Leon Jones, Superintendent of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home

1989

W.˙.Herbert Lloyd Wilkerson, Past Master of Semper Fidelis Lodge No. 680. Grand Orator of Grand Lodge of North Carolina

W.˙.Thurman Bruce Boyette, Past Master of Wilson Lodge No. 712

*W.˙.Jack Griggs White, Past Master of Doric Lodge No. 568

1990

W.˙.Gerry Theodore Smith, Sr., Past Master of Crissie Wright Lodge No. 741

W.˙.Delmas Tharrington Williams, Past Master of Garner Lodge No. 701

W.˙.Charles Thomas Robbins, Jr., Past Master of Corinthian Lodge No. 542

1991

W.˙.Harold Clayton Gibson, Past Master, Secretary of Laurinburg Lodge No. 305

W.˙.James Monroe Joines, Past Master, Past Secretary of Mount Pleasant Lodge No. 573

M.˙.W.˙.Jerry Gordon Tart, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina

1992

W.˙.Shields Jolly, Jr., Past Master, Secretary of Lee Lodge No. 253

W.˙.Albert Bennett Gobble, Past Master, Secretary of Lexington Lodge No. 473

W.˙.Francis McMordie, Past Master, Secretary of West Bend Lodge No. 434

ROSTER OF AWARDS OF THE LAUDAMUS CERTIFICATE

Established 1962

(Arranged according to length of continuous certification beginning with the present system of examination.)

1963

*ARNOLD WESLEY KINCAID 24
*SCOTT STUART FAY 23
*MARION TILLIT ROSS 23
*CRAVEN ENGLISH HARRINGTON .. 22
*HENRY MCNAIR JOHNSON 22
*PERCY CLIFTON STOTT 22
*NEILL WILLIS FREEMAN 21
*WILLIAM HOWARD HARDY 21
*FRED CLINTON KINZIE 21
*CORNELIUS LEACH 21
*JOSEPH GRACEY MILLER 21
*NORWOOD PRICE PARKER 21
*RAY ELBERT PHILLIPS 21
*JAMES THOMAS CARR WRIGHT 21
*JONATHAN HARVEY CARPENTER . 20
*RICHARD HARVEY LUCAS 20
*SAMUEL LEWIS POWERS 20
*WM. ALBERT STEPHENSON AMAN 19
*CHARLES DURWOOD GRAHAM 19
*ROBERT BREATHARD JONES 19
*WILLIAM ROBERT OWENS 19
*WILLIAM CLIFFORD GREER 18
*WILLIAM RILEY HADLEY 18
*BRITTON HARRELL 18
*NED ARMFIELD HAWKS 18
*GEOGE DUDLEY HUMPHREY 18
*HAYWOOD SHERRILL KING 18
ERIC EARL MORGAN 18
*THOMAS JEFFERSON MORGAN 18
JAMES INGRAM REYNOLDS 18
*WILLIAM HARLEY STEPHENS 18
*NATHAN PHILIP STRAUSE 18
*HARRY STANTON TAYLOR 18
*ADAIR EDWARD CHAMBERS 17
*COY JACKSON HUFF 17
*JAMES GUY JOHNSTON 17
*JOHN LUTHER POWELL 17
*KENNETH LESTER BARKLEY 16
*JAMES CASTLE BROWN, JR. 16
*CLOUDE BURGESS 16
*CLIFTON GORDON GRANT 16
WALTER HERMAN HARDEE 16
*EARL MCINTOSH NOE 16
*CLARENCE LEE RHINEHART 16
*FRANKLIN WILLIAM ROYAL 16
*EDWARD GEORGE UPDEGROVE 16
*ROYAL PRESTON WOOTEN 16
ARTHUR APPLE 15
*ELMO ELSWORTH BATTLE 15
ROBERT MACBETH BIRD 15
*GORDON LEE BUTLER 15
*FRANK GUDGER CABE 15
*HENRY BENAGA CARAWAN 15
*GRADY ISAIAH CARRIKER 15
*WM. LLEWELLYN LANCASTER 15
*HARVEY LEE MULKEY 15
*WILLIE FRANKLIN OWENS 15
*ROBIE DANIEL PORTER 15
*JAMES THADDEUS WHITE 15
*DECOSTER WRIGHT 15

1964

VARDY MCBEE ABERNATHY 15
*ELDON SKOCKLEY ADAMS 15
*HENRY CLAY BAUCOM 15
*JOEL JACKSON FAULK 15
WILLIAM BRADSHER HICKS 15
*KEITH GRIMES HODGIN 15
*GEORGE CHRESTON HOLOMAN 15
*JOHN ALBERT HORNADAY 15
*RALPH HILLYER JACKSON, SR. 15
JAMES BENJAMIN JOHNSON 15
*WILLIAM LEE JOHNSON 15
BERL MAURICE KAHN 15
*GRAHAM PINKNEY KERR 15
*ANDREW FRANKLYN MCLAMB 15
MARSHAL GLENN MCRAE 15
*FRANK NEELY OWENS 15
EDWIN THOMAS PARHAM 15
*ALVA ELBERT PENNEY 15
*CHARLES ALBERT RAMSEY 15
*RAYMOND EARL RHYNE 15
*JOHN ALEXANDER SIMPSON 15

1965

*REUBEN BARNITZ 15
*WILLIE HENRY BATCHELOR 15
*LEE ROY CAIN 15
HOMER SHOWALTER CLARK 15
*GEORGE ANDERSON GREEN 15
*ANDERSON BAILEY GREENE 15
*WILLIAM JAMES HALL 15
*WILLIAM ARTHUR HOOKS 15
*ALVIS REX HARDY 15
JAMES KELLY HOOPER 15
*HOMER EUGENE KAYLOR 15
*WILLIAM EDWARD KERR 15
*GEORGE WILLIAM LEE 15
*NEIL ARCHIE LEE 15
EDWIN WRIGHT LIVERMAN 15
*RICHARD TYLER FREEMAN 15
*RAYMOND HASKELL GARRISON 15
*HUBERT LAWRENCE GIBBS 15
WILLIE PARKER GOODWIN 15
*RAYMOND ROCKHILL NICHOLSON, SR. 15
*DAVID JAMES PADRICK, JR. 15
*SAMUEL THOMAS PERRY 15
*CHARLES LEE POLK 15
WILLIAM KNOX PRICE, SR. 15
GEORGE RHODES 15
*BONNER LEE STRAWN 15
*RUFUS ELLIOTT TAYLOR 15
*JAMES OLIVER THORNTON 15
*CLARENCE RUFUS WELCH 15

*WILLIAM HENRI NEWMAN 15
*JERRY JULIAN QUINN 15
*EDWARD MARION WESTBROOKS .. 21

1966

*STEDMAN FULTON DALLAS 15
CLARENCE BASIL FOULK 15
RUSSELL PEABODY HALE 15
*GEO. WARREN MARSHBOURNE 15
WAYLAND DUKE MCGLOHON 15
TAFT SPURGEON PUTNAM 15
*FRANK LEE THOMAS 15

1967

*LLOYD AVERY ALLISON 15
*NELSON BRYAN BANKS 15
FRED ORR BROWN 15
*DAVID THOMAS CALLOWAY 15
*PAUL MAXWELL DAVIS 15
*JUNE HAYWOOD GOFORTH 15
*HARVEY THEODORE HOGAN 15
*JESSE OWEN HOUSE 15
*WHITSON DURHAM JOHNSON 15
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*HORACE WILLIAM PIGG 15
*MARCUS BROWN PRINCE, JR. 15
*KEDAR DAVIS PYATT, SR. 15
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*RANDOLPH GAGE SMITH 15

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*RANDOLPH GAGE SMITH 15

1969

HERMAN GEORGE ALBERTI, SR. 15
THURMAN BRUCE BOYETTE 15
*GRADY ANDERSON BROWN 15
*WILLIAM HENRY BROWN 15
*WILLIAM THOMAS CROSS 15
*EVERETT DACE CRUTCHFIELD 15
*EDISON MILER CURTIS 15
ROY ALVIE EDWARDS 15
CHARLES THOMAS FLETCHER 15
*GARLAND GUSTUS FOUNTAIN 15
*THOMAS MILTON FUNK 15
*SCORE JACKSON HINTON, JR 15
*HENRY BRUCE JOHNSON 15
NICHOLAS ALEX JOSEPH 15
*WILLIAM RAY LOCKHARD 15
*STACY THOMAS LUPTON 15
*JOHN FRANK MADDRY 15
HUBERT VERNON MASSENGILL 15
*ALLEN GROVER POWERS 15
*JACK BELMONT RUSSELL 15
*ARCHIE BOYD STALVEY 15
*JAMES EARL WATSON 15
*EDMOND DIXON WOODY 15

1970

*EDWARD DENNY AUSTIN 15
*ALDEN GRANT BOWER 15
ELWYN DANIEL BOWMAN 15
BALLARD EUGENE BURLESON 15
*JAMES MONROE CAMP, SR. 15
NATHANIEL COOK DEAN 15
RICHARD CLYDE GLASCOCK 15
WILLIAM HAUN HARMON 15
JAMES ALLEN HARRIS 15
*LEWIS PHILLIP HARTIS 15
JAMES HENRY HORNE 15
FRANK HOWARD HOYLE 15
JAMES MONROE JOINES 15
*WALTER SAMUEL MCHAN 15
FRANCIS MARION MELLETTE 15
*HARVEY LEE MULKEY 15
BRADY WILSON MULLINAX 15
*MAX MYERS 15
WELDON GILBERT PEARKS 15
*CECIL MILLER PATE 15
WILLIAM MAX POLTER 15
JOSEPH GRAYSON PYATT 15
*ROBERT BRUCE SAUNDERS 15
JAMES ELDON SPICER 15
MOSES GARLAND TALTON, JR. 15
*GORDON EDMUND WALLACE 15

1971

*THOMAS RUFFIN BROWN, JR. 15
EARL FORDYCE BURNETE 15
ROBERT ALLEN CARTER 15
*CECIL LAWRENCE HAM 15
DALLAS HOLOMAN, JR. 15
CLARENCE EUGENE JERNIGAN 15
PAUL MYERS 15
EARNEST ELTON ODOM 15
LEROY BEAMAN WHITFIELD 15
MORRIS CURTIS WHITLEY 15
*WHILLIAM NEAL WILLIAMS 15

1972

BEN RANDALL ALFORD 15
WILLIAM PERSON HARRELL 15

*CHARLES WESLEY BIRD 15
JOHN EDGAR BORING 15
*WILMER CARLTON CHESSON 15
*BEULAH ARNOLD COX, SR. 15
REYNOLD SLADE DAVENPORT 15
*JOHN CALVIN DAVIDSON 15
*ALFRED ORMAND GOINS 15
*ALBERT VANCE HULBERT 15
*HARRY ALLEN INGRAM, SR. 15
*SPENCE PURVIS MCCORMICK 15
*EDWARD LEE QUILLIN 15
HOOD WALDO ROOD 15
MARK CHANCELOR SWAIM 15
LUTHER HOWARD WALKER 15

1973

*WILLIAM LEE ADAMS 15
*CHARLIE CLEVELAND BAGGETT ... 15
EDWARD WESTON BELL 15
*CLARENCE WILLIAM BURRELL 15
*EDGAR CAROL CATON 15
WILBUR FRANKLIN COX 15
*HENRY WATSON CRISP 15
*DAVID WILLIAM DARR 15
MARSHALL DILLING, JR. 15
EARL ANDERS HELMS 15
*ROBERT BLACKWELL LEONARD ... 15
ROBERT ALEXANDER MCCALLUM 15
*WILLIAM EDWARD MUNSON JR. 15
NELSON WATKINS NEWTON 15
GEORGE MELVIN OLIVER 15
*ECKLES MCCOY PENDERGRAPH ... 15
*REUBEN WILLIAM RECTOR 15
*ERNEST LEE SMITH 15
*JAMES ALBERT WALTERS 15
*COOLIDGE WRIGHT 15
*JAMES LLOYD HERRING 15

1974

JOSEPH TROY CASEY 15
EDGAR FLOYD DUNN 15
*GEORGE WASHINGTON GODWIN .. 15
THOMS WILLIAM WHITE 15
*ARTHUR GWYNN GRIFFIN 15
JESSE WILSON HARRIS 15
FRANK LEE JACKSON, JR. 15

1975

*ARTHUR TYSON BABER 15
ALVIN EDWARD BAKER 15
JOHN CATLETT BRUFFEY 15
HARRY JAMES COATES 15
JOHN W. DARROCK, JR. 5
*JESSE HOWARD FELTON 15
HETZEL WAYNE FOLDEN 15
HOWARD WILLIAM GOUGE 15
*THOMAS WALTER GREENE 15
*MAX HAMILTON 15
*JAMES F. B. HOLT 15
*DAYTON JAY LANIER 15
JOHN R. LITAKER 15
*IRA OSCAR LEWIS 15
*JOHN HENRY MOSS 15
JOHN CARGILL NICOL 15
CHARLES TAYLOR POTTER 15
*HAROLD RAYMOND RIMER 15
*THOMAS W. WOODARD 15

1976

*OSCAR VICTOR CLARKE 15
CLARENCE LUTHER LITTLE 15
*BURGESS GUY LEONARD 15
OAKLEY GUY HUGHETT 15
HAROLD RANDOLPH SNIPES 15
*RAYMOND PUCKETT UMSTEAD 15
E. H. WOOD, JR. 15

1977

*JOHN B. ADAMS, JR. 15
*JOHN E. BARKLEY 15
*VERNE E. BARTLETT 15
ELBERT W. COWAN 15
CHARLES B. FLEMING, JR. 15
*CLARENCE W. GUPTILL 15
*GOYN H. HUDLER 15
*JOE E. JENKINS 15
*JOHN W. JOHNSON 15
*MILLARD T. MCDANIEL 15
*CECIL J. MIZELLE 15
JAMES E. MOSTELLER 15
DEWEY W. SHELTON 15
LEON S. WALKER 15

1978

JACOB RAY ABERNATHY 15
GORDON LEONARD BRADY, SR. 15
JOHN RALPH HARRISON 15
FARRIS ALLEN HUNT 15
*RICHARD HARGROVE LONG 15
BILLY FETZER LOVE 15
JAMES JULIUS SHROAT 15

1979

*HARRY ALEXANDER ALLEN 15
JOE TATE BAILIFF 15
*MONROE MCCOY BOLEN 15
J. D. DECKER 15
*AUGUSTUS ODEN LATHAM 15
GILBERT GERMAITH MATHIS 15
*JAMES DOUGLAS RICHARDSON 15
*WILLIAM FRANKLIN WADE 15
JAMES URSHEL WHITE 15

1980

*WILLIAM AUGUSTUS DAVIDSON 15
RICHARD LEE JONES 15
EPHEY B. PRIEST 15
GERALD W. RINGLER 15

ROBERT E. PENNINGTON, SR. 15
EDWIN R. TODD 15

1981

*FRANK RAYMOND ABERNATHY 15
WM. MORRISON BLACKWELDER ... 15
*DONALD EDWIN BROWN 15
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN DARDEN 15
CHARLES LELAND DAVIDSON 15
JOHN R. EDWARDS 15
GIDEON GREGORY KIGHT 15
*WILLIAM ARTHUR LANGLEY 15
ROBERT COLES LOYD 15
*FRED LAWRENCE MCDOWELL 15
*JAMES HOWARD NAVEY 15
HOWARD ANDREW SAUNDERS 15
ROBERT JUNIS SNIPES 15

1982

ROBERT L. BOONE 15
ELWOOD EUGENE CAYTON 15
KENNETH LEE DAVIS 15
BOBBY GENE FOY 15
*C. A. HAMRICK 15
*GEORGE RICHARD HESS 15
CARL JOHN HOGUE 15
AMOS CALVIN LEGGETT 15
ROY R. MCDOWELL 15
NORMAN C. MILLER 15
*JAMES FRANK NIX 15
THOMAS CARLTON PHELPS 15
ROBERT GWYN SHAW 15
DONALD LAWRENCE SIZEMORE 15
HOWARD HARRISON STANLEY 15
*EDDIE PHILLIPS STILES 15
JAMES MONROE SUTTON 15

1983

WILLIAM JOHNSON CLARK 15
WILLIAM CLAUDE FARRINTON 15
FRANCIS MCMORDIE 15
WILLIAM IRVIN REAGAN 15
LEE ROY THOMAS 15
EUGENE WARD WHETZEL 15

1984

WALTER LEON NEWTON 15
HUBERT EDWARD BATEMEN 15
RICHARD PAUL BENTON 15
ROBERT GLENN CAPPS 15
LUTHER CRADY 15
VERNON THOMAS EUBANKS 15
LAWRENCE VAUGH SENN 15
MAX WHITNER SHERRILL 15
CHARLES SHERER 15
*DELMON TURNER 15
JOHN THMAS WALL 15
NATHANIEL WISE WHITFIELD 15
BUNN TO. PHILLIPS 15
DAVID FRANKLIN MCQWUEEN 15
REX ALLEN GIRTON 15
HENRY GERALD GRANT 15
JAMES BEAUFORD KISER 15
DALTON WAYNE MAYO 15
FREDRICK EARL OGLESBY 15
DONALD WAYNE RHEW 15
FRANK MOULTON WILSON 15

1985

JOE MAX ANDREWS 15
DAVID WESLEY ANGEL 15
EUGENE G. BROWN 15
OLIVER ROBERSON GODWIN 15
DILLARD WADE LOFLEN 15

1986

GERALD ODEAN BARNES 15
GEORGE ERVIN BOWEN 15
GENE MAURICE CLARK 15
JAMES CALVIN CREECH 15
JOHN LUDWICK GOODNIGHT 15
RALPH NEWELL HAMILTON 15
WILLIAM P. HORNE 15
MANGRUM L. KELLY, JR. 15
ELZAVAN MARION 15
DOUGLAS L. PRIDGEN, JR. 15
RALPH VAN SHIPTON 15
CHARLES RICHARD SMITH 15
JOHN SMITH THOMPSON 15
JAMES EARL VANN 15
*JACK GRIGGS WHITE 15

1987

*JOHN EDWARD BISHOP 15
MICHAEL MONROE BOLEN 15
ROYDEN CAULK, JR. 15
*RALPH DAVID DUDLEY 15
JIMMY LEE GRIFFIN 15
HAROLD WESTON JOHNSON 15
NORMAN D. MASSENGILL 15
WILLIAM LEE RAINEY 15
*ERNEST A. REED 15
DAVID BULLOCK ROBERTS 15

1988

HALLETT SWINSON DAVIS 15
DUDLEY ASHE KINSEY 15
KENNETH BOYCE LANCE 15
LANE ALAN LOVE 15
HAROLD LEON MERRITT 15
LEWIS CONLY ODOM 15
JOHN H. ROSSER 15
*WILLETT R. TILLETT 15
ROGER REECE BRYANT 15
ELMER PATTON WALDEN 15

1989

RAY ANDERSON 15
BILLY HOSTON BAREFOOT 15
ROBERT KEITH BRASWELL 15
JOE L. CANNON 15
FRED WILLARD CARTER 15
DOUGLAS M. CHASE 15
ARLEIGH GIBSON DEYTON 15
*EUGENE ARTHUR DUBOSE 15
JOHN WILLIAM FAISON, JR. 15
DENNIS RUSSELL HARRISON 15
CHARLES EDWARD HOLCOMB 15
JOHNNY EUGENE HOWELL 15
ROYAL SANFORD JARVIS 15
GERALD FRANKLIN LEE 15
RALPH MCKENZIE LEWIS 15
RICHARD DONALD LOVE 15
RAYMOND MCCURRY 15
WILLIAM KELLY MCDONALD 15
ERNEST MCKENZIE 15
LARRY MARVIN MELTON 15
JERRY LEE STAPLEFORD 15
WILLIAM BEN STOKES, JR. 15
JAMES L. WENTZ 15
DELMAS T. WILLIAMS 15

1990

LEE KYLE ALLEN 15
PAUL IRVIN BECK 15
ROY FRANKLIN COLLINS 15
ALLEN EDWARD HARDY 15
RALPH FLETCHER HEEDICK 15
CLYDE LLOYD NEWTON 15
HERBERT HOVER PATE 15
REUBIN N. RICE 15
LEE E. WALLIN 15

1991

KENNETH E. BLACKWELDER 15
NORMAN GARLAND HINES 15
OTTIS R. JEFFERSON, JR. 15
JOSEPH FREDERICK KRAPE 15
CARLIS JUNIOR MARTIN 15
HAROLD REID PHELPS 15
BROOKS FRANKLIN PHILLIPS 15
JAMES RALPH PINION 15
WINSTON A. RIDDLE 15
MAURICE C. ROZZELLE 15
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GRAND MASTER	DEPUTY GRAND MASTER	SENIOR GRAND WARDEN	JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY
1787 Samuel Johnston	Richard Caswell	Richard Ellis	Michael Payne	Abner Neale	James Glasgow
1788 Richard Caswell	Michael Payne	James Glasgow	Silas White Arnett	Stephen Cabarrus	William J. Dawson
1789 Samuel Johnston	James Glasgow	Silas White Arnett	Lunsford Long	Stephen Cabarrus	William J. Dawson
1790 Samuel Johnston	James Glasgow	Stephen Cabarrus	Isaac Guion	Frederick Hargett	Matthias Handy
1791 Samuel Johnston	James Glasgow	Stephen Cabarrus	Lunsford Long	Frederick Hargett	Matthias Handy
1792 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	Lunsford Long	John Macon	Frederick Hargett	James Ellis
1793 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Macon	John Lous Taylor	Frederick Hargett	Richard W. Freear
1794 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	John Ingles	Walter Alvis	Richard W. Freear
1795 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	Henry Hill	John Macon	Robert Williams
1796 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	Richard W. Freear	Robert Wiliams
1797 Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	Richard W. Freear	Robert Williams
1798 Wm. Richardson Davie	John Haywood	Montfort Stokes	David Caldwell	Henry Potter	Robert Williams
1799 Wiliam Polk	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	Waightstill Avery	Henry Potter	Robert Williams
1800 Wiliam Polk	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Winslow	Henry Potter	Robert Williams
1801 Wiliam Polk	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1802 John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Hall	Nathaniel Alexander	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1803 John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Hall	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1804 John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Hall	Robert Cochran	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1805 John Hall	Montfort Stokes	Robert Cochran	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1806 John Hall	Montfort Stokes	Robert Cochran	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1807 John Hall	Montfort Stokes	Benjamin Smith	Geo. Lee Davidson	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1808 Benjamin Smith	Robert Williams	Geo. Lee Davidson	Andrew Caldwell	William Boylan	Thomas L. Williams
1809 Benjamin Smith	Robert Williams	Montfort Stokes	Calvin Jones	William Boylan	Thomas L. Williams
1810 Benjamin Smith	Robert Williams	Calvin Jones	Geo. Lee Davidson	William Boylan	Thomas L. Williams
1811 Robert Williams	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	Geo. Lee Davidson	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1812 Robert Williams	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1813 Robert Williams	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1814 John Louis Taylor	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1815 John Louis Taylor		Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1816 John Louis Taylor	Kemp Plummer	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1817 Calvin Jones	John Winslow	James Iredell	Simmons J. Baker	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1818 Calvin Jones	John Winslow	Louis Dicken Wilson	Leonard Henderson	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1819 Calvin Jones	James Iredell	Louis Dicken Wilson	Leonard Henderson	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1820 John Adams Cameron	Frederick Nash	Louis Dicken Wilson	John C. Ehringhaus	William Boylan	Bazaleel Gillett
1821John Adams Cameron		Jas. Strudwick Smith	Joseph H. Bryan	William Boylan	Benj. A. Barham
1822James Strudwick Smith	James Iredell	Joseph H. Bryan	Richard D. Spaight	William Boylan	Benj. A. Barham
1823 Robert Strange	Francis Lister Hawks	Thomas Clancy	Bazaleel Gillett	William Boylan	Alex. J. Lawrence
1824 Robert Strange	Francis Lister Hawks	Thomas A. Pasteur	Bazaleel Gilett	Benjamin A. Barham	Alex. J. Lawrence

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1826 Hutchins Gordon Burton	Francis Lister Hawks	George E. Spruill	Louis Dicken Wilson	Benjamin A. Barham	Alex. J. Lawrence
1827 Louis Dicken Wilson	John E. Lewis	George E. Spruill	Jesse Speight	Benjamin A. Barham	Alex. J. Lawrence
1828 Louis Dicken Wilson	John Owen	James Grant	Samuel F. Patterson	Benjamin A. Barham	John C. Stedman
1829 Louis Dicken Wilson	John Owen	James Grant	Samuel F. Patterson	Benjamin A. Barham	John C. Stedman
1830 Richard Dobbs Spaight	Samuel F. Patterson	George Blair	John Hill Wheeler	Benjamin A. Barham	John C. Stedman
1831 Richard Dobbs Spaight	Samuel F. Patterson	Rufus Haywood	Daniel Coleman	Dirk Lindeman	Charles D. Lehman
1832 Simmons Jones Baker	William Davidson	Gray Little	John G. Marshall	Dirk Lindeman	Thomas J. Lemay
1833 Samuel F. Patterson	Daivd W. Stone	Daniel Coleman	Edmund B. Freeman	Dirk Lindeman	John J. Christopher
1834 Samuel F. Patterson	Daivd W. Stone	Daniel Coleman	John G. Marshall	Dirk Lindeman	John J. Christopher
1835 Lewis H. Marsteller	David W. Stone	Daniel Coleman	Edmund B. Freeman	Green W. Ligon	John J. Christopher
1836 Lewis H. Marsteller	David W. Stone	Henry Blount	James Maclin	Green W. Ligon	William T. Bain
1837 David W. Stone	THomas L. B. Gregory	William W. Cherry	William B. Dunn	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1838 David W. Stone	Kenneth Raynor	William W. Cherry	Duncan G. McRaie	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1839 David W. Stone	William B. Dunn	John G. Marshall	Daniel S. Crenshaw	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1840 Simmons Jones Baker	William S. Baker	Daniel S. Crenshaw	Kader Biggs	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1841 Daniel S. Crenshaw	Thomas Loring	Thomas E. Pender	Davis Young	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1842 John Hill Wheeler	Jonathan H. Jacocks	Thomas E. Pender	Davis Young	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1843 John Hill Wheeler	David Lowery Swain	Phineas W. Fanning	William P. Taylor	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1844 Phineas W. Fanning	David W. Stone	Thomas S. Clark	Arthur S. Mooring	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1845 Phineas W. Fanning	Thomas Loring	Wiley W. Johnson	Talcott Burr	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1846 Phineas W. Fanning	William Gott	John H. Drake	Peter Adams	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1847 William F. Collins	Clement H. Jordan	Talcott Burr	William H. Mead	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1848 William F. Collins	Clement H. Jordan	John H. Drakes	Joab Hiatt	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1849 William F. Collins	Clement H. Jordan	William G. Hill	Joab Hiatt	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1850 Alonzo T. Jerkins	Cyrus P. Mendenhall	Luke Blackmer	James E. Allen	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1851 Alonzo T. Jerkins	Cyrus P. Mendenhall	Luke Blackmer	James E. Allen	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1852 Alonzo T. Jerkins	Cyrus P. Mendenhall	Luke Blackmer	William P. Taylor	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1853 Clement H. Jordan	William P. Taylor	Peter Adams	James H. Moore	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1854 Clement H. Jordan	William P. Taylor	William K. Blake	Joseph Green	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1855 Pleasant A. Holt	William P. Taylor	William K. Blake	Joseph Green	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1856 Pleasant A. Holt	Alfred Martin	James T. Alexander	Joseph M. Cox	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1857 Alfred Martin	Lewis S. Williams	James T. Alexander	Joseph M. Cox	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1858 Alfred Martin	Lewis S. Williams	Henry C. Lucas	Daniel Coleman	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1859 Lewis S. Williams	Eli W. Ward	Henry C. Lucas	Eli F. Watson	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1860 Lewis S. Williams	Eli W. Ward	James E. Allen	Charles C. Clark	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1861 William G. Hill	Eli Watsn	Daniel Coleman	Rufus K. Speed	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1862 Eli F. Watson	Edwin Godwin Reade	John McCormick	Rufus K. Speed	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain

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GRAND MASTER	DEPUTY GRAND MASTER	SENIOR GRAND WARDEN	JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY
1863 Eli F. Watson	Edwn Godwin Reade	John McCormick	Robert W. Best	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1864 John McCormick	Eugene Grissom	Robert W. Best	David H. Stephenson	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1865 Edwin Godwin Reade	John M. Happoldt	Robert W. Best	John Nichols	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1866 Edwin Godwin Reade	Robert W. Best	William Lander	John Nichols	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1867 Robert W. Best	James G. Ramsey	Robert B. Vance	Thomas M. Gardner	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	Donald W. Bain
1868 Robert B. Vance	Ellis Malone	Joseph B. Batchelor	Samuel H. Rountree	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1869 Robert B. Vance	Ellis Malone	John Nichols	Samuel H. Rountree	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1870 Charles C. Clark	Joseph B. Batchelor	John Nichols	Samuel H. Rountree	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1871 Charles C. Clark	Joseph B. Batchelor	John Nichols	Clinton A. Cilley	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1872 John Nichols	Thomas M. Gardner*	Clinton A. Cilley	Robert W. Hardie	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1873 John Nichols	Thomas M. Gardner	Clinton A. Cilley	Robert W. Hardie	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1874 George W. Blount	Clinton A. Cilley	Horace H. Munson	Horace H. Munson	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1875 George W. Blount	Samuel C. Shelton	Eugene Grissom	Robert V. Blackstock	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1876 Horace H. Munson	Clinton A. Cilley	Robert W. Hardie	James C. L. Gudger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1877 Horace H. Munson	Thomas S. Kenan	Robert W. Hardie	James C. L. Gudger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1878 William R. Cox	James C. L. Gudger	Chas. W. Alexander	Henry F. Grainger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1879 William R. Cox	James C. L. Gudger	Chas. W. Alexander	Henry F. Grainger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1880 Henry F. Grainger	James W. Reid	Robert Bingham	Charles H. Robinson	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1881 Henry F. Grainger	James W. Reid	Robert Bingham	Charles H. Robinson	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1882 Robert Bingham	Fabius H. Busbee	Charles H. Robinson	William T. Kennedy	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1884 Robert Bingham	Fabius H. Busbee	Charles H. Robinson	Samuel H. Smith	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1885 Fabius H. Busbee	Charles H. Robinson	Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1886 Fabius H. Busbee	Charles H. Robinson	Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1887 Charles H. Robinson	Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1888 Charles H. Robinson	Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1889 Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1890 Samuel H. Smith	Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1891 Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	Richard J. Noble	Darius S. Waitt	Donald W. Bain
1892 Hezekiah A. Gudger	John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	Richard J. Noble	William Simpson	Donald W. Bain
1893 John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	Richard J. Noble	Walter E. Moore	William Simpson	William H. Bain
1894 John W. Cotten	Francis M. Moye	Richard J. Noble	Walter E. Moore	William Simpson	William H. Bain
1895 Francis M. Moye	Richard J. Noble	Walter E. Moore	James A. Leach	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1896 Francis M. Moye	William H. Summerell	Walter E. Moore	Beverly S. Royster	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1897 Walter E. Moore	Richard J. Noble	Beverly S. Royster	Henry Irwin Clark	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1898 Walter E. Moore	Richard J. Noble	Beverly S. Royster	Henry Irwin Clark	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1899 Richard J. Noble	Beverly S. Royster	Henry Irwin Clark	Walter S. Liddell	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1900 Beverly S. Royster	Henry Irwin Clark	Walter S. Liddell	Francis D. Winston	William Simpson	John C. Drewry
1901 Beverly S. Royster	Henry Irwin Clark	Walter S. Liddell	Francis D. Winston	William Simpson	John C. Drewry